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HOARE DEFENDS HIS ACTIONS DESPERATE EFFORT TO AVERT WAR PARIS FORMULA SIGNED WITHOUT AUTHORITY

London, Dec. 19. Speaking before an apprehensive House of Commons, Sir Samuel Hoare, who yesterday resigned from his post as Foreign Minister as a result of his part in the framing of the Paris peace formula, defended his policy and his judgment. Later, the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, replied to the Labour motion of censure, which was defeated by 397 to 165 votes.

"We have no fear whatever as a nation of any Italian threat," Sir Samuel commenced, stirring enough. "If the Italians ever attacked us we should retaliate, and, judging from our history we should retaliate with full success."

But, he explained, what had worried him during his term of office and since the outbreak of the Italo-Ethiopian war, was the thought that an isolated struggle between Britain and Italy might wreck the League of Nations.

"A great body of opinion in France is intensely nervous over the breach with Italy," he went on. "Anything likely to weaken the French defence had that effect, though France loyally continued the sanctions policy. He had never allowed a day to pass without attempting to find a peaceful settlement, he said.

"We reached a turning point in both fields a fortnight ago," declared Sir Samuel. "It seemed clear if an oil embargo were imposed it would force the termination of hostilities. The Paris negotiations began in an atmosphere in which the majority of the member states of the League appeared opposed to military action. No state except Britain had taken any military precautions, but it was felt this did not justify proposing any postponement of the oil embargo unless it could be shown that peace negotiations had actually started, and we did not like some features of the peace scheme."

He was thus unable to withhold his provisional consent, he said. He felt the issues were so serious that it was worth making an attempt and it was essential to maintain Anglo-French solidarity.

"It was in this spirit alone that we agreed to the suggestion that alone was the explanation and justification of the Paris communique," declared Sir Samuel.

MORE DANGEROUS PHASE

"We are now entering upon a much more dangerous phase," he said, "but except for Britain, who has a fleet in the Mediterranean and reinforcements in Egypt, Malta and Aden, not a ship, or machine or man has been moved by any other country."

"The peace proposals involved international supervision and territorial exchanges and opportunities for Italian economic expansion which Signor Mussolini refused before the war, but the Emperor Haile Selassie had accepted in principle," he said.

He denied that there was any restriction with regard to the Asaba corridor and the building of a railway. He had approved the telegram asking the Emperor of Ethiopia to favourably consider the peace plan because he was terrified that Ethiopia could be led to think that the League could do much more; for that would be leading to the terrible moment of disillusionment when the independence of Ethiopia might be destroyed.

"It was essential that if collective defence be real, we should go beyond the period of general negotiations and have actual proof by action by the states of the League," he declared.

PAINFUL CRITICISM

He was painfully aware, said Sir Samuel, that a great body of opinion was intensely critical of the course he had adopted. But he could not honestly recant. He sincerely believed that the course he took was the only course possible in the circumstances. When he realised that he had not the general approval of his countrymen, he tendered his resignation.

He concluded amid cheering that lasted for a full two minutes.

VOTE OF CENSURE

Moving the Labour vote of censure, Mr. Clement Attlee expressed sympathy with Sir Samuel Hoare and added that if it were right for Sir Samuel to resign it was right for the Government to resign.

He described the peace terms as

READY TO BACK OIL SANCTIONS LEAGUE MUST BE PREPARED ATTACK MIGHT BE SUDDEN

London, Dec. 19. Great Britain is ready to back an oil embargo against Italy if the League approves it, but its defence must be collective, declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain in his reply to the Labour attack in the House of Commons to-day. They must be prepared for a sudden and unexpected attack by Italy, he warned.

Mr. Hugh Dalton, one of the Opposition's "big guns," wound up the Foreign policy debate for Labour, and asked Mr. Chamberlain, who later was to reply for the Government, whether he was able to announce the name of the new Foreign Secretary.

Mr. Chamberlain shook his head, decisively.

Mr. Dalton asked if the Government intended to continue with the oil sanctions.

He described Mr. Stanley Baldwin's speech as very unconvincing and said the Labourites intended to press their motion of censure.

Mr. Chamberlain, replying, said that a tragedy had deprived the Government of Sir Samuel Hoare's services. The only consolation was that Sir Samuel would have an opportunity of restoring his broken health.

Mr. Chamberlain hoped that at no long distance of time, Sir Samuel would resume his political career. (There were loud ministerial cheers at this.)

The Government, he went on, took the responsibility for what it had done and for what it now believed was a mistake.

IN CASE OF ATTACK MONGOLS KILLED BY JAPANESE Outpost Attacked by Machine-Gunners

Moscow, Dec. 19. One Mongolian officer and two soldiers are stated to have been killed in a clash with a Japanese military force on the Mongolian frontier, according to a report from Ulanbator.

It is stated that Japanese troops in motor lorries, armed with machine-guns, arrived at a Mongolian frontier outpost to the south-west of Lake Burnor and fired on Mongolian troops, who retreated under orders, to avoid provocation, but the Japanese continued to fire. The Assistant Commander of the outpost and two soldiers were killed. — *Reuter*.

There was any danger of an attack it must be in the Mediterranean. The important thing to know, therefore, was the attitude of the Mediterranean powers, not of the other members of the League who might be remote from the scene of action.

He said the Government had asked for the other powers' attitude, but the attitude of France was far the most important.

He contradicted the suggestion that they had not received affirmative assurances from some powers.

PREPARED FOR EMBARGO

Mr. Chamberlain declared that if the League decided on the application of oil sanctions, and if the Government were satisfied that all member nations, or in any event those who mattered, were prepared to participate in meeting an attack which might be sudden and unexpected, then Britain, too, was prepared to play her part and would agree to the imposition of oil sanctions.

He concluded that the attitude of the Government to the League had not changed in any way, but that they must seize every opportunity to negotiate an acceptable peace. But failing that, they must stand as before



Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, whose defence of the Government's policy was yesterday vindicated when the House of Commons rejected the Labour motion of censure.

STUDENTS PARADE IN SHANGHAI PROTEST AGAINST AUTONOMY MOVE NO DANGEROUS INCIDENTS FACE COMPLEX PROBLEMS

Shanghai, Dec. 20. Over 5,000 students of Shanghai universities to-day paraded to the Civic Centre to present a petition for the release of the students arrested during the Peking parades and the consequent riots.

They demanded, too, the suppression of the Northern Autonomists. Mayor Wu Teh-chien addressed the student body, and sympathetically promised to take up with the Government the matters the students pressed.

The students dispersed peacefully and without incident. — *United Press*.

The last of the students who were marching to Nanking have been arrested. Public Safety Bureau men rounded up the last fifty, herded them aboard motor trucks and brought them back to Tientsin at 8 a.m. to-day. — *United Press*.

DEFENDING AMERICAN NEUTRALITY MUST AVOID RISK OF SANCTIONS PRESIDENT'S DISCRETION Peace Plan Abandoned LEAGUE COUNCIL'S FINAL BLOW FURTHER STUDY OF SANCTIONS

Washington, Dec. 19. New neutrality legislation was imperative, and should be discretionary rather than mandatory, declared Mr. McReynolds, Chairman of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee, speaking to the Press to-day.

Mr. McReynolds expressed the opinion that the United States ought not to participate in the League sanctions programme, "at least as part of the League's initiative."

With regard to whether oil and cotton should be labelled implements of war, that should be at the President's discretion.

Meanwhile, the United States High Commissioner in the Philippines, Mr. Frank Murphy, has cabled to the State Department asking the United States Government's attitude towards the shipment of chrome ore from the Philippines to Italy. The question has been raised by a company having received a large order from Italy. — *Reuter*.

for collective security by collective action.

"It must be realised that the ultimate sanction behind the League must always be force, and unless the members of the League are prepared to equip themselves so as to be able to meet any threat by an aggressor and are prepared to use that equipment if necessary, they cannot expect complete success," he concluded. — *Reuter*.

MUSSOLINI NOT BLUFFING BUT BRITAIN URGED TO BACK SANCTIONS DESPITE SERIOUS RISK OF WAR WITH ITALY

London, Dec. 19. Peers mustered in strength in their special gallery in the House of Lords to-day to listen to the foreign affairs debate which proceeded concurrently with that in the House of Commons.

The discussion was initiated by the former Liberal M.P., Lord Davies, who invited the House to register inacceptability of the peace proposals and not to assent to any settlement inconsistent with the principles of equity and fair dealing and with Britain's League obligations.

Lord Davies urged the Government to resume the policy outlined by Sir Samuel Hoare at Geneva in September. He declared that public opinion in Europe, America and the Dominions was profoundly shocked by the proposals, which would have left an indelible stain on Britain's honour and reputation. He added that the Government had stemmed the rising tide of American co-operation with the League.

Lord Halifax, for the Government, said it was not the task of the League to stop the war in Africa by starting one in Europe, the extension of which it was humanly impossible to foresee.

SILVER TENSION RELAXES BETTER SENTIMENT IN MARKET OFFERS TO BUY FORWARD

London, Dec. 19. As a result of recent difficulties, London brokers have decided that the silver market shall be closed on Saturdays until further notice.

Silver market tension in London appears to have relaxed somewhat to-day, mainly owing to the fact that America purchased some four million ounces in the Bombay market, which some 25 per cent. had previously been offered in London, where the strain was consequently relieved.

Offerings in London to-day were estimated to be in the region of sixteen and a half million ounces, of which America absorbed six per cent.

The better sentiment prevailing among speculators was reflected in reports that tentative offers to buy silver for January delivery at 20s. were forthcoming, while the execution of most pressing selling orders emanating from particularly embarrassed quarters resulted in a definite tendency by sellers to place limits to their orders. — *Reuter*.

U. S. STILL BUYS Speculators' Losses

Washington, Dec. 19. Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, to-day reiterated that the Treasury was still buying silver, but he refused to say where. He added that he had bought silver every day this week.

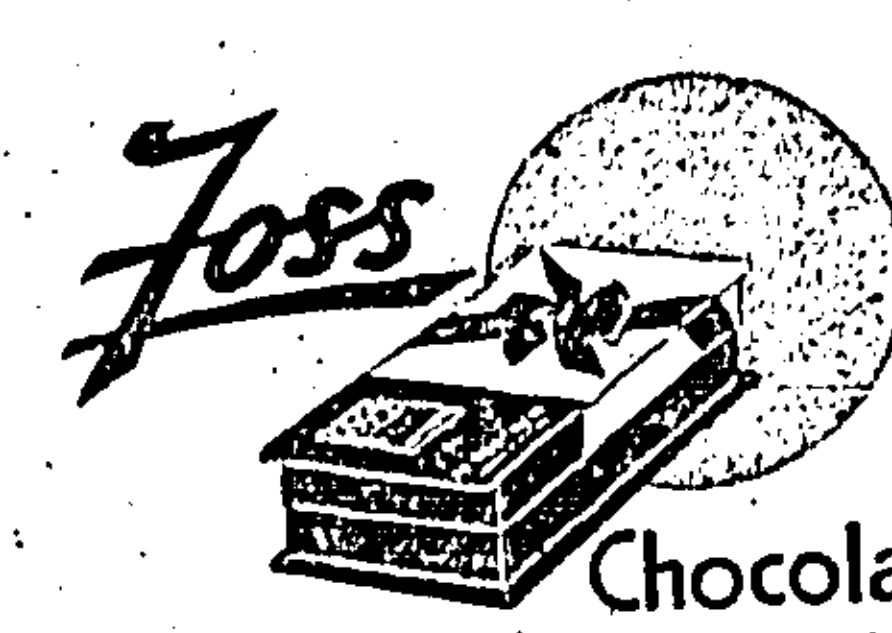
"There are many places—you would be surprised," said Mr. Morgenthau. He declined to say whether the purchases were from private individuals or Governments. He also saw no particular significance in New York fixing the price in the absence of London bids, declaring that there was nothing else for New York to do, inasmuch as there was no market in London.

Mr. Morgenthau revealed that the United States Government took all Mexico's output of newly-mined silver in the past year, the total being about 72,000,000 ounces, at New York prices. — *Reuter*.

NEW CARDINALS

Rome, Dec. 19. At a brilliant ceremony to-day, His Holiness the Pope placed red hats on sixteen new cardinals. — *United Press*.

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The remaining quarter is shared by French, Dutch, German, Swiss, and Belgian services.
Air France's new machines, Farman monoplanes, are to be of forty-passenger, 3,200 horse-power, four-engined giants, capable of at least 180 m.p.h. Undercarriage wheels retract in flight to lessen wind resistance.
In a year French average cruising speeds on all European services, including slower lines, have risen from 109 m.p.h. to between 130 and 137 m.p.h.
British average cruising speed, taking the two main airlines together, can be put at 114 m.p.h.
France expects her new machines will put cruising speeds up to the 160 m.p.h. mark or more.

BOY WITH HOLY SUNSPOT BECOMES THE HIGHEST IN THE LAND

PARENTS JOIN THE NOBILITY

TIBET, the vast and mysterious tableland that defied the conquerors of all the ages, is looking for a baby who shall be a god.
He is, according to Buddhist belief, a reincarnation of the former holder of the office.
The leading prelates of Tibet search for a baby boy, who was born as nearly as possible to the time when the Dalai Lama died.
It is the ambition of every Tibetan woman to give birth to a boy who shall become the Dalai Lama.
She and all her family are forthwith ennobled. Estates are granted to them by the Tibetan Government.
There is never any lack of candidates when the chance presents itself.

FIVE MOTHERS IN £100,000 'MOST BABIES' RACE

Toronto, Dec. 15.
ENTER Mrs. Arthur Timleck (Irish, and proud of it, too) into the ranks of the contestants for the oddest race in the world's history—the Toronto Stork Marathon.
In case the words "Stork Marathon" mean nothing to you let me explain.

On October 30, 1926, Charles Vance Millar, Toronto, lawyer and sportsman, died, leaving the bulk of his estate, valued at £100,000, to the Toronto wife who became the mother of the greatest number of children in the ten years immediately following his death.

For months now four women have been boasting that the prize will be theirs.
Those four are—
Mrs. Matthew Kenny, French wife of a man who is of Scots-Irish parentage;
Mrs. Joseph Bagnato, an interpreter (Italian) in Toronto Police Court;
Mrs. John Nagle, aged thirty-three and living on relief;
Mrs. Graziano, wife of an Italian labourer.
Mrs. Timleck's entry into the contest has upset all their plans. Mrs. Timleck claims to have had nine children since October 30, 1926, and is expecting another soon.
Here is what the four other contestants say about the contest and about their claims:
Mrs. Kenny: "I have had eleven children (all living) since Mr. Millar died, and I expect a twelfth child long before next October. The prize is mine."
Mrs. Bagnato: "I am not worried about Mrs. Kenny's claim. I'm pretty sure I shall win."
"Pay Back" Plan
Mrs. Nagle: "I have eight children who satisfy the conditions, and I am going to win this race. We want the money, so we can pay back all the money we have had from the Relief."
Mrs. Graziano: "I have hopes that I shall win the prize because all the leaders will be disqualified for disputing. I want the prize to buy plenty of food. We do not get enough to live on."
Many attempts have been made to have Mr. Millar's will set aside on the ground that it was only drawn up as a joke, but the law courts point to a sentence in the will which seems to disprove that theory. That sentence says:
"This will is necessarily uncommon and capricious, because I have no dependants or near relations, and no duty rests upon me to leave any property at my death, and what I do leave is proof of my folly in gathering and retaining more than I needed in my lifetime."

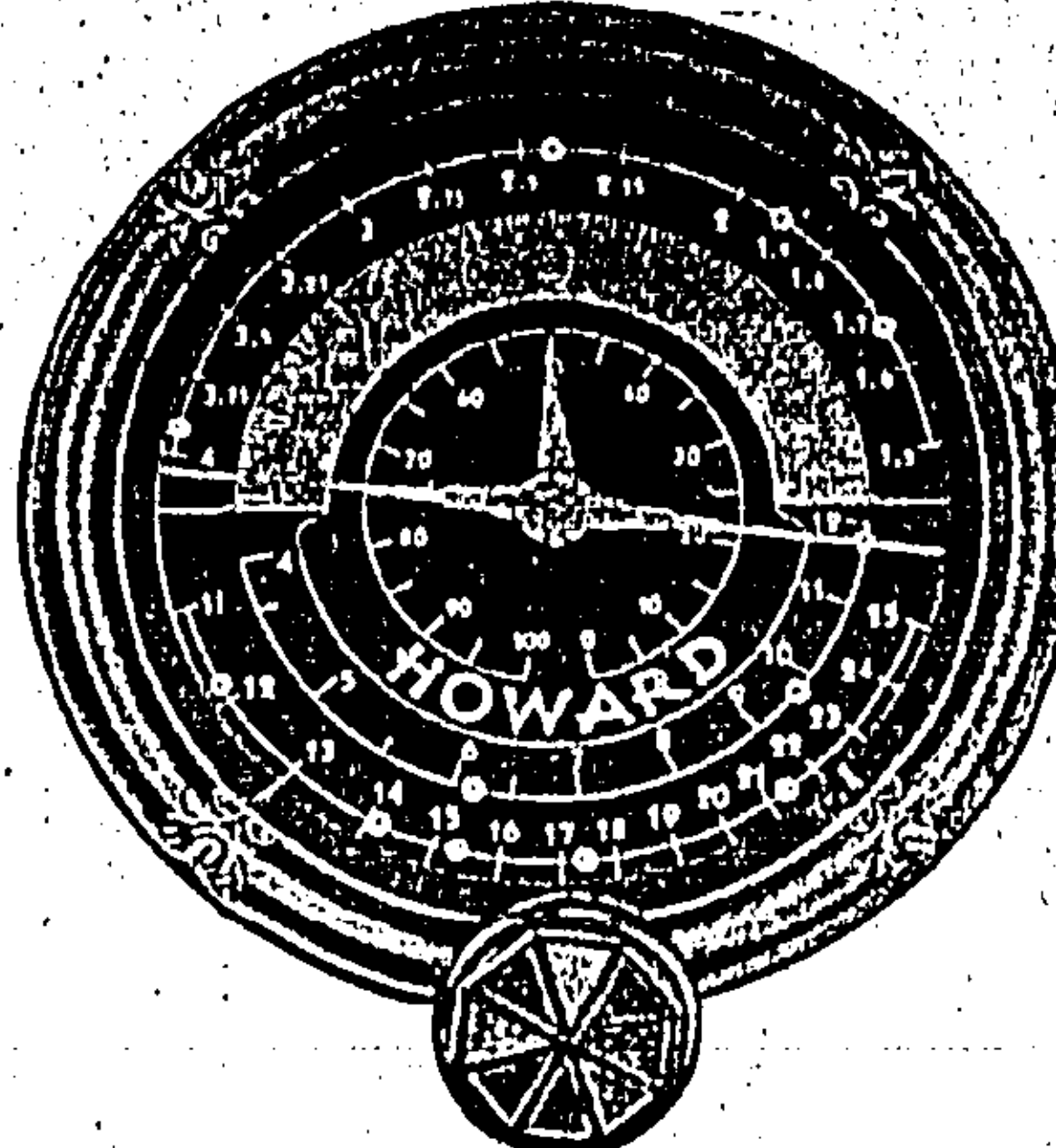
EARTHQUAKE WARNINGS

Scientists have discovered that earthquakes send out warnings in advance.
Before almost every large earthquake minor round waves radiate from the affected area.
Charts to record forecasts of the earthquake centre are being devised.
Warnings will then be sent out to people living in the areas some hours before the earthquake is expected.

Destruction Of World Predicted

New York, Dec. 12.
Destruction of all life on the earth because of tremendous heat in the interior and transformation of the earth from a planet into a flaming star was predicted here by Professor Bailey Willis, of Stanford University.
The earth began to melt "certainly more than two billion years ago" because of radio-active substances within its core, Willis says in the current issue of *Science*. The melting has progressed slowly and may be exhausted, he said, but—
It seems more probable that the persistent release of atomic forces is continuing and will continue to supply heat and to melt the surrounding shell, with the result that mother earth may eventually take her place among the shining stars.—*United Press*.

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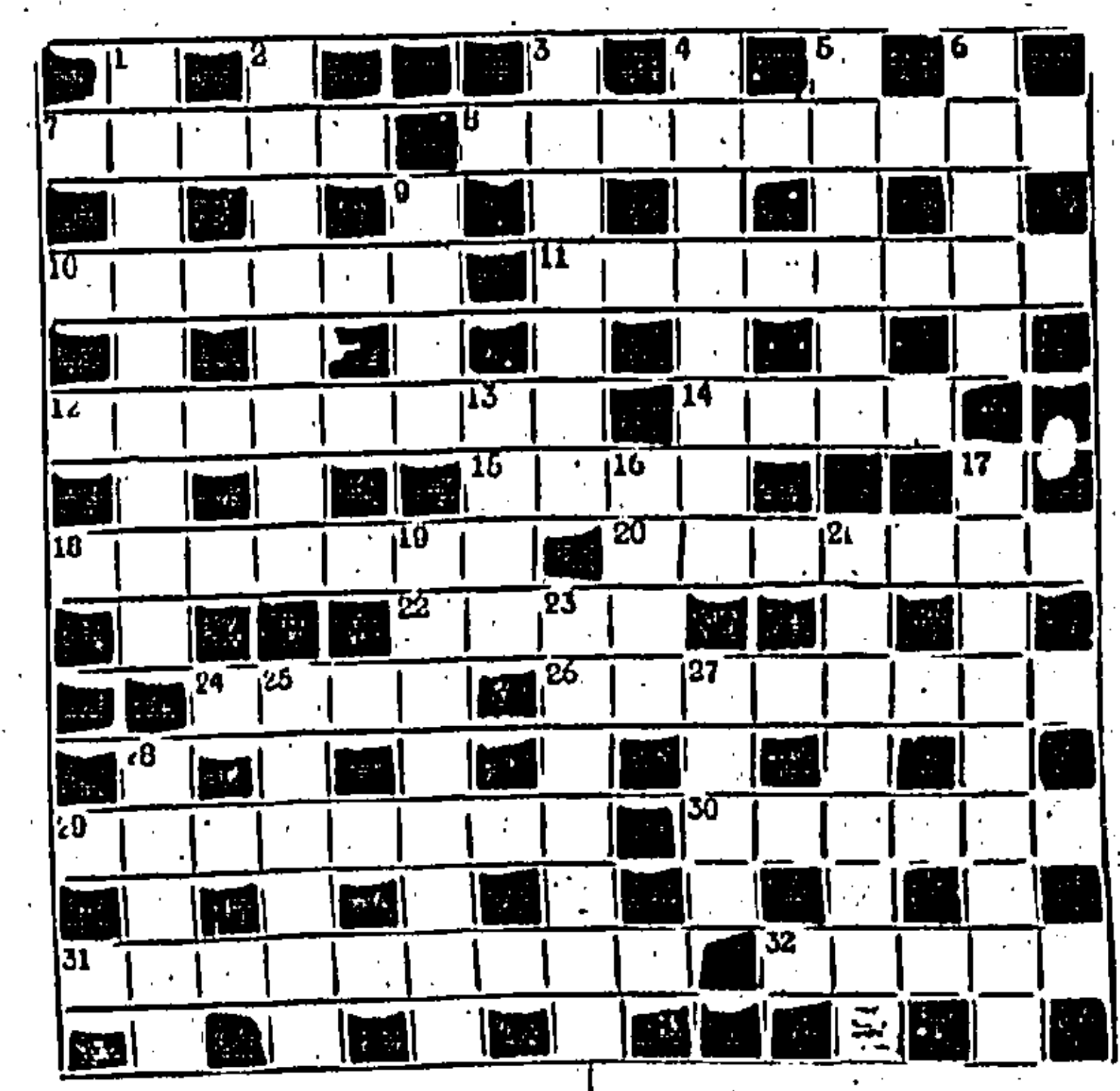
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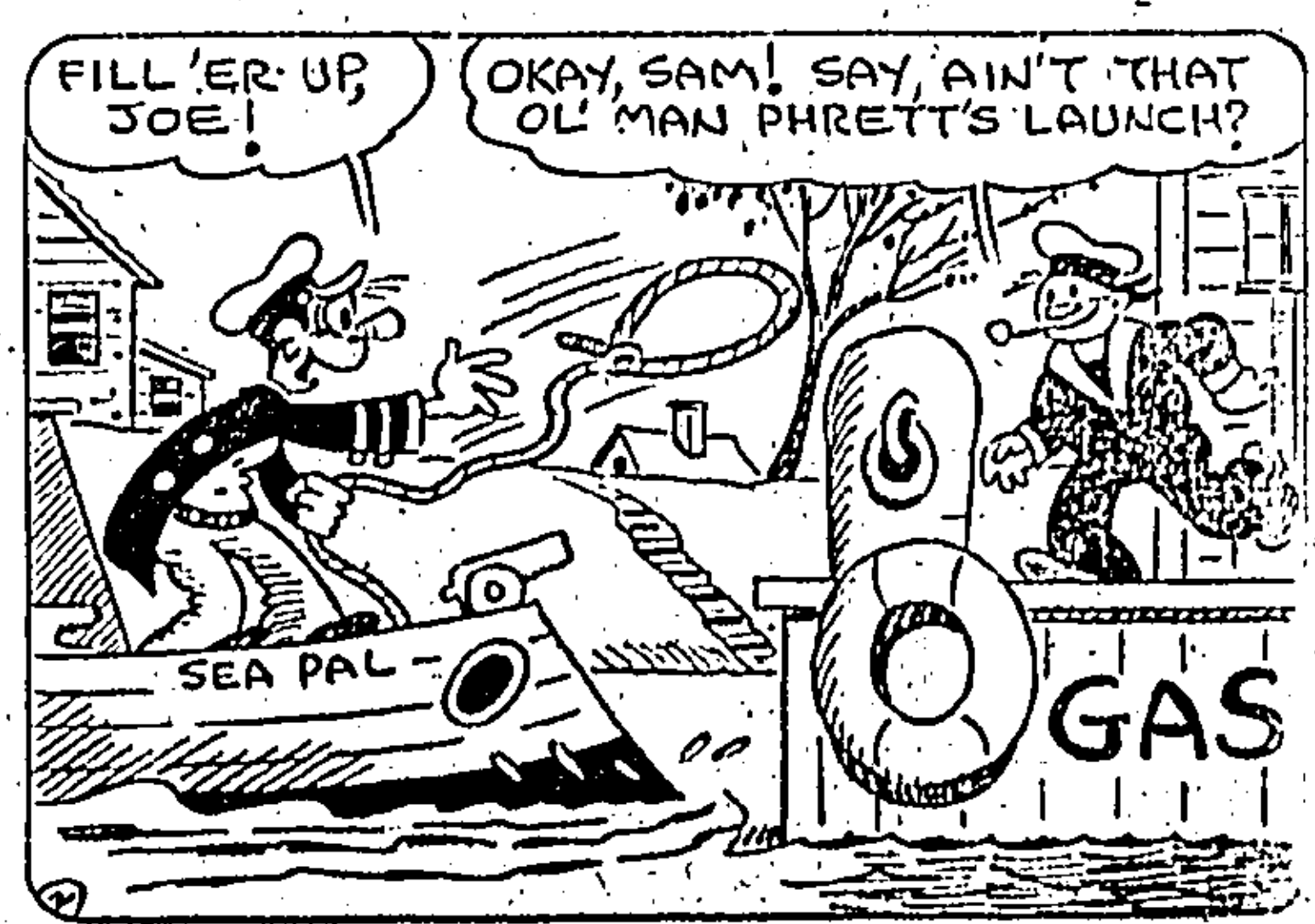
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OKAY, SAM! SAY, AIN'T THAT OL' MAN PHRETT'S LAUNCH?



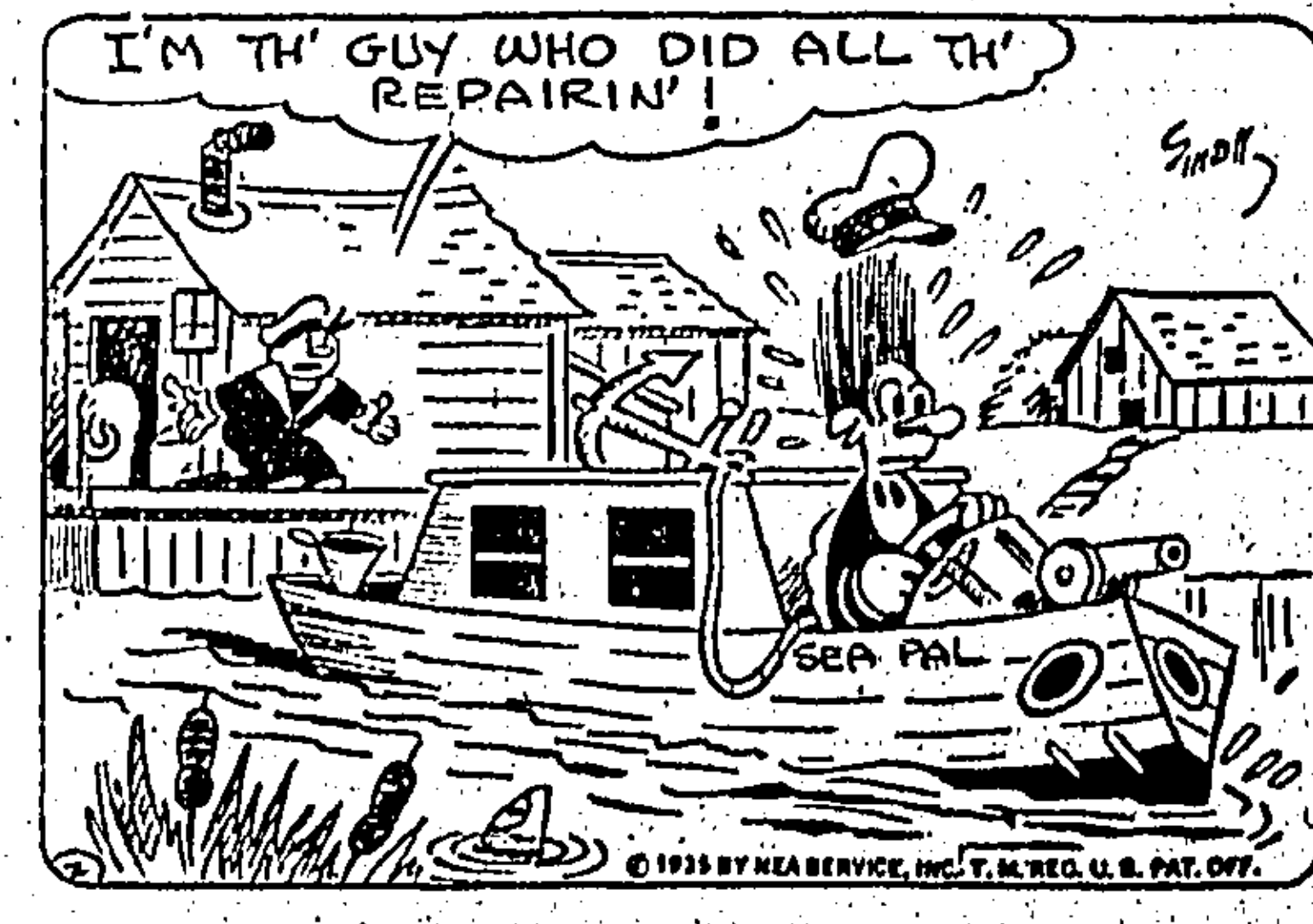
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IT'S MINE, NOW, JOE-JOE! PRETTY GOOD THASS ONE, TOO! PHRETT SAID HE HAD IT FIVE YEARS AN' NEVER PAID A CENT FER REPAIRS!



SEA PAL U.S.A.

I'M TH' GUY WHO DID ALL TH' REPAIRIN'!



SEA PAL

PLOT THAT SHOOK THE WORLD

"MAY SET ALL EUROPE IN FLAMES"—COUNSEL

Aix-en-Provence, Dec. 8. "I am pleading in a case that may set Europe on fire."

Maitre Desbons, a leader of the Paris bar, shouted these words at the top of his voice here to-day in a court packed with mobile guards carrying loaded rifles and surrounded with barbed wire and troops, bayonets at the ready.

The trial of three Croat terrorists for complicity in the murder of King Alexander of Yugoslavia and M. Barthou, Foreign Minister of France, had begun.

The assassination, 13 months ago, sent a thrill of fear and horror round the world.

Alexander, on a State visit to France, was driving with Barthou through the streets of Marseilles. Peter Kelenin, member of a secret Yugo-Slav society, leaped on the running board of the car and fired a stream of bullets into the bodies of the King and Foreign Minister. The assassin was trampled to death by the angry mob. Three countries were searched for his accomplices.

Behind the doors of a barricaded Palace of Justice, over which airplanes soared and around which 1,000 guards were mobilised, the trial opened.

Though it is 13 months since the assassination in Marseilles of the King of Yugoslavia and the Foreign Minister of France, to-day there was tension throughout Aix-en-Provence.

Maitre Georges Desbons, representing all the accused men, caused a shock at the outset of the trial. He alleged that the interpreters had worked hand in hand with the police and had hounded one of the accused to suicide.

He read a document bearing the imprint of a Surete Generale which, he alleged, incriminated an interpreter who was not present in court.

AS A PROTEST

The President, the two assistant judges and the Public Prosecutor, rose from their seats and left the court as a protest against the accusations. It was some time before they returned.

The three accused were: Zvonimir Pospichil otherwise Novak, a chauffeur, aged 31, and a native of Vukovina, Yugoslavia; Yvan Riteh, otherwise Benes, a farmer, aged 32, of Koledino, Yugoslavia, and a former inmate of the Croatian Political Refugees' Camp at Janka Puszt, Hungary. He and Pospichil were arrested at Thonon, on the Franco-Swiss frontier, two days after the crime. Mo Kralj, a mechanic, aged 27, of Kopivinski, Yugoslavia. He was arrested in the Forest of Fontainebleau after a week's chase in the woods.

Three others were tried in their absence. All are prisoners in foreign jails, but their extradition to France has been refused. Queen Marie of Yugoslavia was originally joined in the case with a formal claim for damages, in accordance with French procedure, but she has withdrawn the claim.

The actual assassin was Peter Kelenin, a member of a secret political terrorist society known as the "Oustachi," organised by Dr. Pavlovitch.

The greatest excitement prevailed in the town to-day and particularly near the Palace of Justice. Counsel, witnesses and journalists had to pass through ten separate barricades before they could enter the court.

THOUSAND GUARDS

Behind the Palace were a thousand guards ready for action in case of emergency.

Airplanes flew over Aix as a precaution against any air outrage. For the past week every foreigner arriving in the town has been questioned closely.

The trial opened at nine a.m. The three men listened without understanding to the President of the court while he paid a high tribute to the memory of the dead.

This tribute was followed by another from Maitre Desbons, who added that complete light had not yet been shed on the circumstances of the deed, but that it was to be hoped that full light would be shed in the course of the proceedings.

The President then read a letter from Queen Marie explaining that she became a civil party to the proceedings because "only a civil party was in a position to obtain full light on the ramifications of this international terrorist organisation."

She added that today the position has been changed, thanks to

CIVILISATION THAT EXISTED BEFORE GREAT FLOOD

Mr. F. A. Mitchell-Hedges, famous British explorer, has discovered the cradle of civilisation. It is situated in Central America, where Mr. Mitchell-Hedges has found proof of the Biblical story of the Flood, and what is more important, traces of a civilisation which existed before that great cataclysm came upon the earth.

His discoveries have been examined by the British Museum.

By F. A. MITCHELL-HEDGES

I have just returned from an area in which there is to be found conclusive proof that the Flood actually occurred.

But it was not the Flood as the Bible describes it; it was something bigger, more cataclysmic.

Three conclusions that I have reached as a result of my discoveries are:

1. That at some remote time a great land area stretching eastward from Central America sank and was engulfed by the sea.

2. During this gigantic "geological readjustment" a portion of what had been sea bed was heaved upward to become land—even uplands—within the area we now know as Central America.

3. A great and cultured race of people was destroyed by this unparalleled catastrophe.

The vestiges of this luxurious civilisation which flourished in pomp and circumstance "before the Flood" are to be found on the Bay Islands, off the coast of Honduras. Excavations in twenty-one new sites on five islands prove that here lived the earliest cultured man of whom there is any record.

I am convinced that here lay the true cradle of civilisation. The geological evidence is indisputable. Upon the islands, and again upon the mainland, appear cliffs riven and split by the incalculable forces of an epic upheaval.

LANDLOCKED SHARKS

And inland, 400 miles distant from the land as the crow flies, there is a freshwater lake in which

the investigations conducted by the French authorities at her request.

"The date has been fixed when the accused will have to answer their crime before the justice of men," she said. "I can therefore consider as terminated the painful task which I imposed on myself. Having full and complete confidence in French justice, I place my cause in the hands of its representatives."

OBJECTION OVERRULED

Yvan Riteh, one of the accused, was then interrogated.

At first he declined to answer the President's questions on the ground of the poor interpretation. His objection was over-ruled, but the questioning went on very slowly. The President pointed out to Riteh that he joined the "Oustachi," a Croat terrorist organisation, in 1933, and then took an oath to obey all orders and not to divulge any of the organisation's secrets.

The president also recalled that while Riteh was in prison in France, after a severe mental depression, he was examined by doctors, who admitted that he was only partially responsible for his actions.

Riteh repudiated the idea of being insane, declaring: "I have never been crazy, and if I was mentally weakened it was simply because the interpreter told me that I would be tried in Belgrade and that I would be condemned to death by torture."

THIRD POWER

It is known that, in order to defend the accused to the utmost, M. Desbons may attempt to bring in the responsibility of a third Power.

It is feared, too, that an attempt on M. Desbons' life may be made by the numerous Yugoslavs who are now at Aix.

He is guarded night and day by plain clothes members of the Surete Generale.

Three British witnesses who were expected to attend the trial, Mr. Ben Riley, M.P., Mr. Rhys Davies, M.P., and Miss Edith Durham, were not present to-day. Another witness, Dr. Ante Trumbich, leader of the Croat Peasant Party, and Yugoslav Foreign Minister in 1918-20, was also absent.

It is reported that his passport has been confiscated by the Yugoslav authorities to prevent him attending the trial.

sharks and tarpon, both salt-water fish, live and breed.

In that distant day of chaos the sharks had become inland captives and presumably had "adjusted themselves" during the ages in which the lake lost its salt quality. There came to us one day a dug-out manned by two natives, who told us of a strange place of cliffs and caves upon the little island of Helene.

When our 22-ton boat Amigo had negotiated a perilous coral barrier we found a wonderful bay running deep into this island.

Ancient lava flows, black and sinister, ended in the sea. Through the translucent water we could see that they continued beneath the water exactly as on land.

A white-hot lava flow cannot strike water and continue beneath it retaining the same formation as when it cools upon land.

The sea could not have been there at the time of that eruption.

Upon the island of Bonaca we found the site of what was once a great religious centre, or city.

The reward of cutting through the jungle was the uncovering of the oldest specimens of cultured man's handicraft yet discovered upon this earth.

In the mighty cliffs of Helene we came upon a tunnel-like aperture. Hot, fetid air greeted us.

STONE AGE CULTURE

This, we found by digging in the rubble and earth floor, had been long occupied by prehistoric man of the Stone Age.

We found many traces of an ancient civilisation—not of a crude, ignorant, savage race. They indicated a high state of culture.

There were large fragments of what had once been a beautiful vase, exquisitely painted; curious stone carvings, unknown to science; perfectly modelled pottery figurines in the forms of grotesque animals.

The highest rounded hill of Helene proved to be the site of a city or town.

Here we found some most curious specimens of pottery. One was in the form of an animal about three inches long with four holes in the body, at the top, another hole.

I blew experimentally through the top hole and a clear, sweet note sounded. By moving fingers over the other holes a tune could be played.

We found 11 of these instruments.

Here was a veritable orchestra, since different sizes were made for different sets of tones.

Ignorance could not evolve instruments with such a range of harmony and tone. The ancient race which left these behind were a musically cultured people.

It was an eerie experience to sit aboard the Amigo and experiment with these musical instruments which had been unplayed for perhaps 25,000 years.

SHY WOMAN MISSIONARY "ONE OF THE SAINTS"

Halifax, Dec. 15.

"EVERY day I have been hoping to see some news of the smiling Nellie Thomas, who went from Halifax to China to be a missionary. Every day I have prayed for her. Do put in your paper more news of good, unselfish folk, and less about idle people and publicity-seeking film stars."

This letter from Mrs. P. Harris, of Rectory-lane, London, S.W.17, appeared in a London newspaper recently. Shortly afterwards enquiries were made about Miss Thomas, who sailed in October 1933 for a self-selected missionary post in China, in which her predecessor had been murdered three years earlier.

This is what the London newspaperman learned:—

1. That such people as Miss Thomas do not make life easy for reporters.

2. She hates publicity—but would not object to your knowing that she is still alive.

3. That she writes to relatives and friends in Halifax telling them about her work—but she would be horrified if they passed the news on.

Directed and redirected from one relative or friend to another, he

Drilling

Eyelashes

Eyelashes are going back to nature. The artificial lashes which were a craze last year are now out of fashion.

"The latest fashion is to brush the eyelashes regularly with a dry brush and then comb them with a minute comb made for the purpose," a West End beauty specialist said.

"This eyelash drill night and morning has been shown to be the best way of making the eyelashes grow longer and thicker."

WIFE SUES FOR LOVE SHE LOST TO DEAD WIDOW

New-York, Dec. 10.

A dead woman is cited in an action for alienation of affections filed to-day in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Mrs. Rose Deutsch, wealthy widow of a Philadelphia diamond merchant, died two years ago. Her estate must now meet a charge of "slandering" Joseph Vance, house-painter, from his wife Kathryn, former telephone operator.

Mrs. Vance demands \$17,000. She admits that she spied on her husband and Mrs. Deutsch from behind a shrubbery near the widow's home.

LL. GEORGE SAID:

"Trotzky Will Never See Revolution Here"

"THERE is only one real statesman in Russia, and that is Trotsky," exclaimed Mr. Lloyd George, then Prime Minister, standing with his back to the fire in his war-time home at Walton Heath.

It was after the Bolsheviks had seized power, and just before Trotsky made peace with the Germans at Brest-Litevsk.

Mr. Lloyd George declared his opinion about Trotsky in a talk with Harold Williams, the man who knew fifty languages and spoke twenty-five languages fluently, when Williams came back from Russia, where he had been a newspaper correspondent for fourteen years.

Ariadna Tyrkova-Williams, Harold Williams' widow, Russian novelist, descendant of a famous Russian soldier about the time of Queen Elizabeth, tells the story in a remarkable biography of her husband.

"REAL STATESMAN" Harold Williams knew more about Russia than most people, and the late Sir Robert Donald took him to have been with Mr. Lloyd George at Walton.

The Prime Minister thanked him for his "brilliant messages" from Russia, describing the revolution, and asked "abrupt questions."

Then he said:—"The Bolsheviks will restore the front. We must come to an agreement with Trotsky. There is only one real statesman in Russia, and that is Trotsky."

Lenin at that time did not figure as prominently in the news. He was the power in the background.

"HE IS AN ENEMY" Harold Williams did not like Trotsky. He replied to Mr. Lloyd George:—

The Man Who Cut Hitler's Curl

EXILED BARBER MAKES HISTORY

Herr Hitler has lost his world-famous unruly forehead curl through the action of a German hairdresser, exiled in Athens.

Herr Otto Mueller, who runs a fashionable lady's hairdressing establishment in Athens, says that he was always pained to see Herr Hitler's photographs in the papers with a long lock of unruly hair hanging down over his forehead nearly to his eye.

NOTE TO BARBER

When the cartoonists got to work on it his pain got worse and worse. It gave too much opportunity for making the Chief look ridiculous.

"And so I wrote a respectful letter," he says, "enclosing a sharper note to be handed to his barber."

"The letter explained that the lock hung down because all the hair was of the same length, and that it should be thinned out in various lengths with a razor blade."

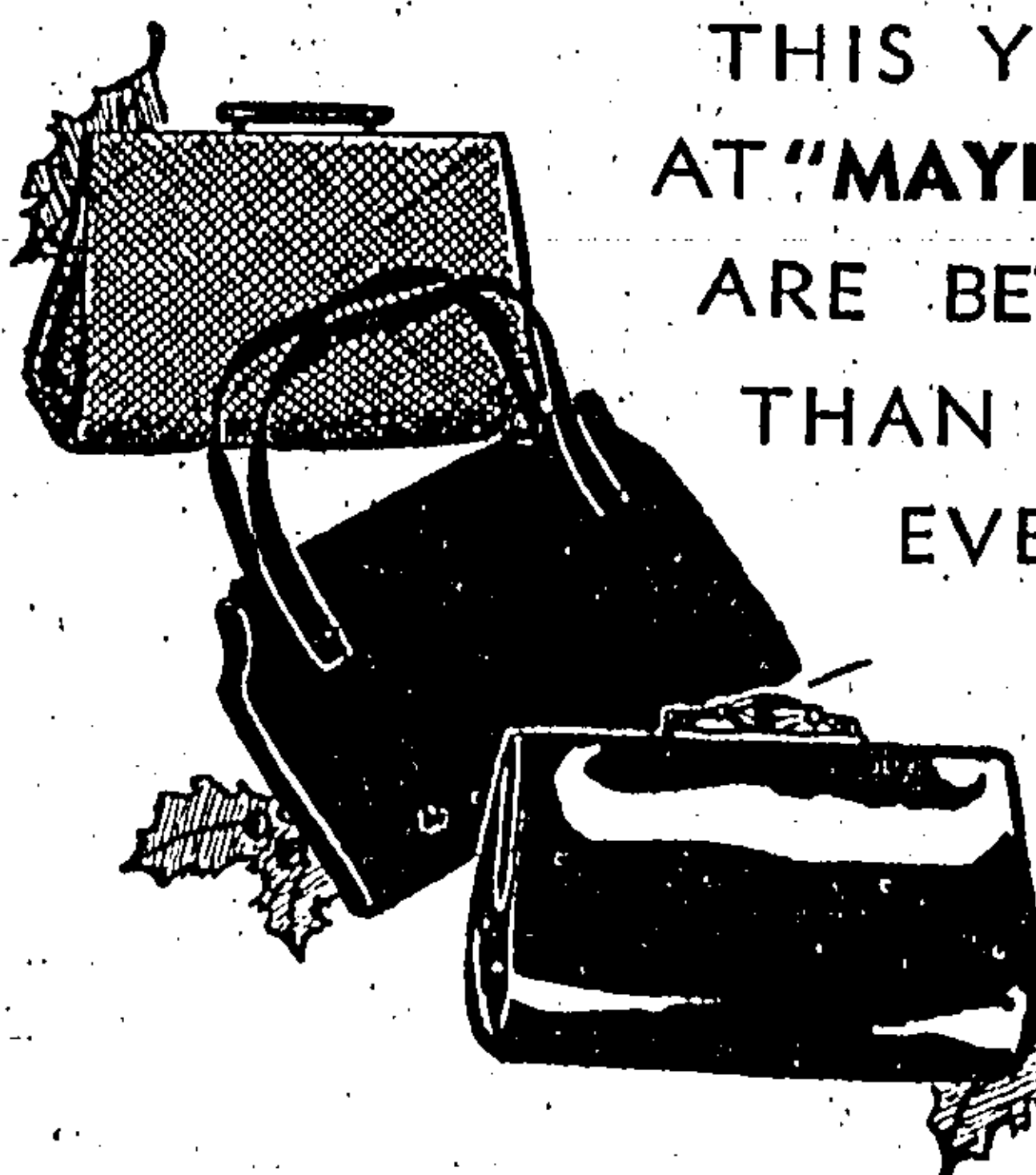
"I shortly got a letter back from Herr Hitler himself stating that the matter 'I had written about was being taken in hand,' and then there came the photograph showing that the lock had been curbed."

"Now I am happy about the German head of State."

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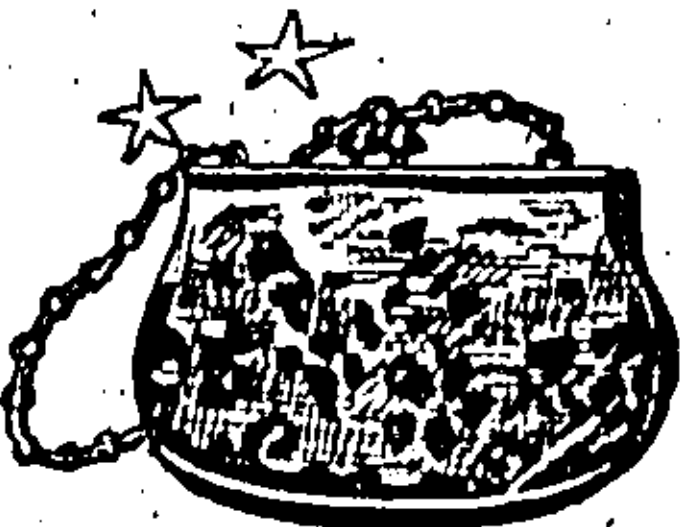
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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 2nd December, 1935, till Saturday, 21st December, 1935, both days inclusive.

NOEL BRAGA, Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1935.

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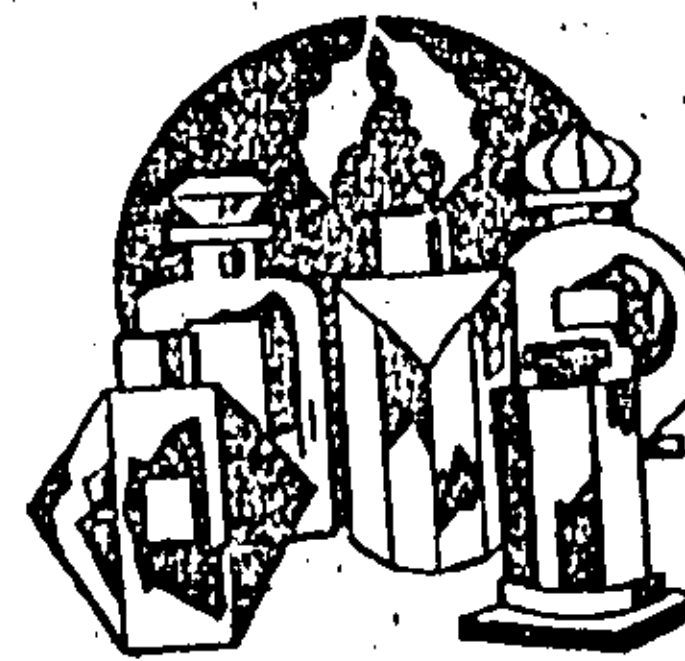


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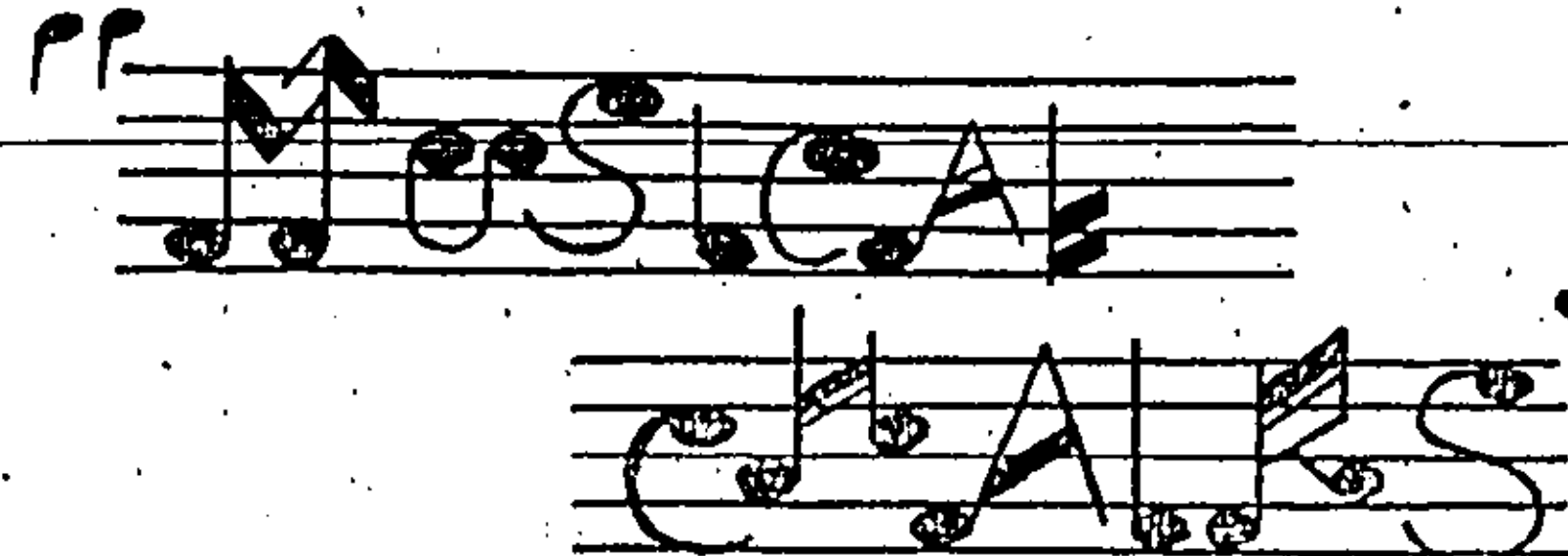
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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 22nd November)	Pres. Hayes	December 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 22nd November)	Pres. Hoover	December 20.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	December 20.
Saigon	Prosper	December 20.
Japan and Shanghai	Asama Maru	December 21
Straits and Europe via Neopanama (Letters and Papers) London, 21st November and Air Mail ex "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam 7th Dec.)	Kashima Maru	December 21.
Shanghai and Swatow	Szechuen	December 21.
Java and Manila	Tjikembang	December 21.
Straits	Tokushima Maru	December 21.
Japan	Alipore	December 22.
Straits and Manila	Deucalion	December 22.
Shanghai and Amoy	Taiyuan	December 22.
Straits	Tsushima Maru	December 22.
Calcutta, Straits and Airmail ex "Imperial Service" (London 7th December) and ex "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam 11th December)	Talma	December 24.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
	Friday.	
Hohow, Paloh and Halphong	Klungchow	Fri, Dec. 20, 1 p.m.
*Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri, Dec. 20, 3 p.m.
Manila	Hydrangea	Fri, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
Samahai and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Fri, Dec. 20, 4 p.m.
Letters for "Imperial Service"—Due Hakusan Maru		Fri, Dec. 20.
London 6th January.		
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—Due Amsterdam, 2nd January.		
Letters for "Singapore-Australia Service"—Due Darwin, 31st December.		
	K. P. O.	
Reg., Dec. 20, 4 p.m.	Reg., Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters, Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Manila	Emp. of Japan	Fri, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
*Shanghai, Japan and "San Fan-General Lee"	Pres. Hayes	Fri, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
cisco (Due San Francisco, 12th Jan.)	Reg., Dec. 20, 4.15 p.m.	
*Manila	Letters, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Due Victoria B.C., 7th January)	Reg., Dec. 20, 3 p.m.	
Hohow	Letters, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles. (Due Marseilles, 18th January 1936.)	Hai Lee	Fri, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
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Reg., Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Reg., Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Letters, Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Dec. 20, 6 p.m.	
	Saturday.	
Straits and Calcutta	Tilawa	Sat, Dec. 21.
Parcels, Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	Letters, Dec. 21, 9 a.m.	
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Kashima Maru	Sat, Dec. 21, 10.30 a.m.	
Siberia		
Halphong	Canton	Sat, Dec. 21, 2 p.m.
Amoy	Kyng	Sat, Dec. 21, 3.30 p.m.
Dairen	Nanning	Sat, Dec. 21, 5 p.m.
Poochow	Suiyang	Sat, Dec. 21, 5 p.m.
	Sunday.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwelyang	Sun, Dec. 22, 9 a.m.
Swatow	Seistan	Sun, Dec. 22, 9 a.m.
	Tuesday.	
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tjinegara	Tues, Dec. 24, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Tues, Dec. 24, 3 p.m.
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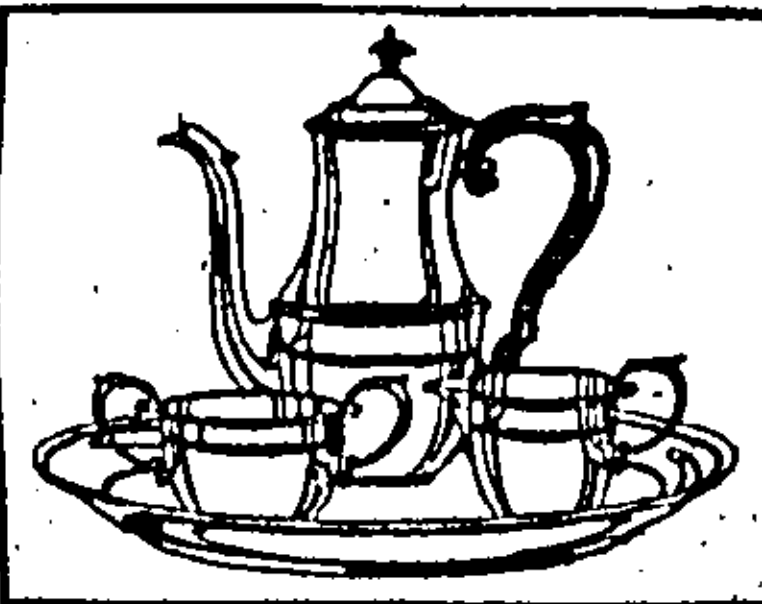
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NOTES OF THE DAY

(Continued from Page 6.)

downs, is in command of the Special Far Eastern Army. In the Far East Blucher is better known as Ga-lin, or Galenti, a name that he assumed for its authentic Chinese flavour when he was military adviser to Chiang Kai-shek. In 1921 he took an army from Siberia into Outer Mongolia, where he defeated Baron Ungern, and was prominent in the Sino-Soviet conflict in 1927, which followed Borodin's expulsion from China.

COMPULSORY VOTING

After every political election, and sometimes also after municipal elections, a demand is heard that,

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

To-morrow's Picture Features

Many interesting photos will appear in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement, these including the Singapore send-off to H.E. Sir Andrew Caldecott and his arrival in Hongkong.

Christmas parties held at the Helena May Institute and by the Central British and Kowloon Junior Schools will include those taken at the wedding of Mr. Yu Wai-wah and Miss Au Un-pik, the christening of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dalziel, and the basketball team of the Young Chung Girls' School.

In consequence of the apparent apathy of a section of the public, exercise of the franchise should be made compulsory for all who are on the voters' roll. This has been tried in some countries, but it is a "reform" to which none of the British political parties has so far been attracted. This is perhaps because of fear that it might prove a double-edged weapon. Those who preferred not to record their votes might, if compelled to go to the booths, take the obvious course of voting vengefully against the party

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that had been instrumental in making them do so. British theories of liberty suggest that if an elector finds more satisfaction in not recording than in recording his vote, he should be allowed to please himself. That anyone should be so little interested in the affairs of the country as to think it not worth while to poll doubtless represents, from a civic point of view, a disgraceful state of affairs; but who is to determine whether abstinence springs from apathy, laziness, or a nice weighing of all the political parties in the balance and finding them equally wanting? A vote that is the result of compulsion does not seem likely to have much value as an index to public opinion.



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CRICKET NOTES

BY R. ABBIT

ALL-IMPORTANT MATCH OF THE SEASON

CHAMPIONS PLAY I.R.C.

ODDS SLIGHTLY IN FAVOUR OF VISITORS

To-morrow will be played what I regard as the key match of the Senior League so far as can be foreseen at present. The H.K.C.C. go down to Sookunpoo to play the Indians and it should be a most interesting match.

Were the match at the Hongkong Cricket Club ground I should expect the Club to have a shade the better of the game, as I have noticed that some of the I.R.C. do not give their best on that ground. I do not of course refer to Pereira, Madar, or Minu but to some of the younger—or perhaps I should say less experienced—players.

I do hope and trust this will not be construed to mean that I am belittling or depreciating some of the Indian players. Nearly all cricketers have grounds they like and grounds they don't like and possibly quite wrongly I have formed the opinion that I have stated above.

On the other hand, I don't think the Club players particularly like the I.R.C. ground, and I fancy there is very little in it between the two sides. One thing is absolutely certain and that is that the Club will have to turn out their strongest side to win. If Hayward, the two Pearce's, Dunkley, Redmond, Duckitt, H. Owen Hughes and Price all turn out, there is the making of a very strong team.

Owen Hughes of course had only just returned, looking very fit, I was glad to see. He told me he has no practice since August, but that isn't going to affect his slip fielding and quite often a first knock comes off better than the second or third.

Of course the enormous probability is that the game will end in a draw, but anyway it will be worth watching and all being well I hope to see it, and give a fairly detailed account of it on Tuesday next.

ERROR IN CARDS

The other League game in the Senior Division is between Craigengower and the Navy. The C. C. C. card says that their first eleven are playing at King's Park—and their second at Home. The Navy Card has it the other way about, but I have no doubt they will settle it somehow. But it goes to show that all was not well with the fixing up of matches this year. Anyway, wherever the game is played, it should be a very good one especially as Branwell has shown a return of form. Omar and Tinker Lee will, I think be more formidable if the game is played on the Craigengower ground.

NON-LEAGUE GAME

The Army are launching out and fielding a second eleven to-morrow when their first team takes on the K.C.C. at Kowloon in a non-League game while the second eleven are at home at Sookunpoo to the K.C.C. second, who may win, though it depends very largely what sort of a second team the Army will put out.

As for the first eleven, I rather fancy a draw will be the result. It is a sad thought that I cannot be on the K.C.C. ground and the Sookunpoo ground at the same time.

So far as I know the University have no game nor the Civil Service. I am told the latter Club has printed a card but the distribution seems completely to have broken down.

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE

The Club are at home to the Police, and it is rather difficult to gauge this match as one never quite knows how strong a second the Club are going to turn out. The Police too are rather in and out especially as regards their batting. I rather fancy the Club's chances. I have already mentioned the only two other games of which I have information.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN TESTS

It is one of the curious facts of cricket history that however well they may do against England, the South Africans always crumple up against the Australians. From 1904 onwards teams that have done excellently against the Mother Country have visited Australia a few months later full of hope, and have failed disastrously. This year after their great triumph in England there is the same sad story to tell. Australia have beaten three State teams badly and now in the first Test have defeated South Africa by nine wickets. The home side admittedly did not do so badly when they scored 248 and 282 but the Australian batting mastered their bowling completely, and then put up 429 and 302 for one wicket.

As a matter of fact it is perhaps not so strange in this case as it must be remembered that the English team had been away from their jobs all last summer and many of them probably found that getting off for cricket would have to be delayed for a bit. Then too, poor Cameron died, and his understudy, R. J. Williams remained

THE MAMAK LEAGUE

POINTS FOR 12TH BATTERY

A BIG WEEK-END PROGRAMME

Second division Mamak League points were secured by 12th Battery, R.A. yesterday when at Sookunpoo they beat Departmental by three clear goals.

Macey gave the Gunners a goal lead at the interval and this was subsequently consolidated by Aldridge and Taylor.

There is a full programme of Mamak League games during the week-end. To-morrow the Mule Corps and Nomads meet in a second division encounter on the Police Training School ground at 4 p.m.

On Sunday one first division and two second division games are scheduled. The senior match is between the Argonauts and Royal Engineers on the Y.M.C.A. ground, King's Park at 11 a.m.

Departmental and C.B.A. meet in a second division match on the C.B.A. ground at 10.50 and in the afternoon at 3 p.m. on the Radio Sports Club pitch at Caroline Hill, Nomads play the Royal Engineers "B".

To-night's Badminton Programme

Chief interest in this evening's mixed doubles league badminton programme is invested in the match between Recreo "B" and the Chinese Recreation Club. The teams according to records, are well matched, and the Recreo may have to depend on court advantage to give them the verdict.

Left-handed S. P. Chan and Mrs. F. T. Lo, former Pimkin champion, will probably win all three games if they continue their form shown to date. Mrs. Lo is exceedingly strong in the forecourt and Chan's covering work is first class. Recreo have a slight pull over the remaining two pairs and it is this which will probably ensure them points. But they will have to be on their best behaviour to win.

Recreo seniors journey to Kowloon Tong and must win, but St. Andrew's may experience difficulty in getting away with the points at Taikeo. The Taikeo ladies are slightly better than those of the Saints and with Stainton and Charlie Summers showing very good form at the present it is more than possible that Taikeo will at least hold their visitors to the odd game.

The Fire Brigade can expect a fairly comfortable win. Sailors and Soldiers' Home, and no positional changes in the league table are likely as a result of to-night's games.

This is the last mixed doubles programme before the New Year, the next batch of matches being scheduled for January 2.

To-night's programme is: Taikeo v. St. Andrew's; Recreo "B" v. C.R.C.; Kowloon Tong v. Recreo "A"; S. and S. Home v. Fire Brigade.

behind in England. Two bowlers A. J. Bell and C. L. Vincent are among those unable to get away to play. So the possible team is weaker than it might be. Still—we shall see what happens later.

I must apologize for these notes being somewhat brief but, to speak in confidence, I have got mixed up with a nasty old fellow called Wilhelm Schindler and he takes up a lot of my time looking after him. We shall have to do better next week with an article on the Diocesan Boys School Cricket as an extra on Wednesday.



Left: Trentbridge, which had an unlucky season, and Festival Eve, which performed with credit.

Over The Sticks Once Again

KWANTI CHRISTMAS MEETING

(By "CAPTAIN FOSTER")

The Christmas Meeting under the auspices of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club will be held at Kwanti Course, Fanling, on Sunday and the first race will be run at 2.15 p.m.

A special train will leave Kowloon at 1.05 p.m., and return from Fanling at 6.00 p.m.

The Railway fare is \$2 including admission to the course, and the cost of ticket to the Public Stand is \$1.

Very good entries have been received and owing to the large number for the December Country Cup, this race has been divided into two sections. There are six races on the card and a good day's sport is assured.

The opening event, the Canberra Handicap is a Steeplechase over 1½ miles for Australian Ponies and has attracted seven entries. A good race should be seen and Belinda has certainly a pull in weight. In the National when Belinda got another hiding by many lengths, but I am of the opinion that if Belinda could reproduce her form when she was second to Flummery, she should pass the post first. It will be recalled that at the meeting held on January 20, Belinda won the Canberra Steeplechase among the "Also Rans."

Empire Day and the Griffe have never been over the fence and I am afraid to express an opinion on their maiden jump. However, the Griffe is a steady merchant at the Valley and I prefer him. Lucy Glitters is nicely in with only 147 lbs. to shoulder and is dangerous.

FOLLOW VALLEY FORM

In the St. John Cup which is a hurdle race over 1¼ miles, I would strongly advise punters to follow the form of the Valley ponies and they are in order of the ranking list. Daylight Eve (C Class) and both Tillcum and Wemby Star are in the "D" Class. I fancy they will pass the post in that order. The old warrior, Tom Cobley is in the race but, without prejudice, it is about time for him to take in sail.

Pride of Tsingtao, whose last win at Kwanti was the Fanling Grand National on March 10, has no opposition in the Taipo Handicap and Burgomaster and Spinaway should fill the second and third places.

LADIES RACE

The Ladies' Hurdle race which is a handicap event over 1¼ miles is very open and will be the best of the day. I sincerely hope that I am not out of my course when I say that the absence of Miss Pamela Scott-Harris

and Miss Louis Fearon—both of whom are now in England—will be much felt on Sunday and race goes will admit that there had never been an Indian's race without the presence of the two ladies taking part.

However the adjustment of weight has left no loophole and the Official Handicapper has set a problem in spotting the winner. West Parade has been asked to shoulder top-weight 148 lbs., and it seems that she has take out Diogenes and she should be in the limelight. William Oser has only 142 lbs. to carry and is dangerous. I presume that the St. John Ambulance Brigade will be in attendance not on account of this event but for emergency cases.

The December Country Cup "A" Division over a country course of approximately three miles will certainly attract a good field. I fancy Burgomaster if he does not weigh out in the Taipo Handicap, with Punch and Winchester Star in the rear. In the "B" Division, the order of the finish should be like, Canary

SELECTIONS FOR FANLING RACES

ST. JOHN'S CUP

The following are my selections for Sunday's Christmas Meeting of the Fanling Hunt Club to be held at Kwanti.

THE CANBERRA HANDICAP

Belinda
Flummery
The Griffe

THE ST. JOHN'S CUP

Daylight Eve
Tillcum
Wemby Star

THE TAIPO HANDICAP

Pride of Tsingtao
Burgomaster
Spinaway

THE LADIES' HURDLES

West Parade
Diogenes

THE DECEMBER COUNTRY CUP A

Burgomaster
Punch
Winchester Star

THE DECEMBER COUNTRY CUP B

Ike
Canary
The Loafer

Winners Of Seasons' Cups And Plates

The following is a list of winners of Cups and Plates during the year:—

Garrison Cup	won by Iron Grey	(Mr. Needs)
Chater Cup	" King's Bounty	(Mr. Marshall)
Royal Navy Cup	" Blaire	(Mr. Tap)
American Club Cup	" Rose Queen	(Mr. Needs)
American Club Cup	" Gold Picker	(Mr. Tao)
Ladies Purse	" Soldier of Britain	(Mr. Sun)
Jockey Cup	" Soldier of Germany	(Mr. F. Li)
Lusitano Cup	" Herod	(Mr. Davis)
St. George's Plate	" Rose Queen	(Mr. P. Botelho)
St. Andrew's Cup	" Ribble	(Mr. P. Botelho)

Jockey Allowance Success

NOVICE'S GOOD FORM

Liberty Bay Keeps His Record

The Hongkong Jockey Club closed their Season last Saturday and it must be admitted that in view of the depression, they have had a most successful racing year. There were actually—including the Annual Meeting—21 days of racing and 196 events were keenly contested. Mr. Clerk of the Weather was not too kind on two or three occasions, but the rest of the Meetings was held under ideal atmospheric conditions and the attendance improved towards the end of the season.

Racing on the whole, especially after the recess, was of very high standard with plenty of thrills and full of exciting

finishes and racing enthusiasts got their money's worth.

The statistics which I have compiled for the year under review reveal some interesting figures such as the amount of stakes won by owners, complete list of winning jockeys, the best pari-mutuel returns, course records established during the season and etc.

The introduction of Jockey allowance was responsible for some really good dividends being paid out in the second half and the Stewards can be congratulated on adopting this. There is no denying that hereafter the 5 lb. Jockey allowance in the handicap events will be fully taken advantage of, and novices will undoubtedly have better mounts. There is an old saying "Good ponies make good jockeys." Mr. M. T. Johnson, who presided at the half-yearly General Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club on November 28, said that the object of the allowance was to encourage novice jockeys and give them more opportunity to ride in the open handicap races. It can be said, without any fear of contradiction, that novices (thanks to the action of Mr. Leo Frost during the summer months) have improved immensely and I am confident that owners, will, in the future, experience very little difficulty in securing jockeys.

THE CHAMPION JOCKEY

Congratulations are due to Mr. Leo Frost on heading the list of Jockeys (Continued on Page 9.)

Records Of The Jockeys

MR. LEO FROST OUTSTRIPS REST OF HIS CONTEMPORARIES

A complete statistic of Jockeys' including Macao races is enumerated hereunder.

Jockey	Wins	2nd	3rd	Unpl.
D. Black	17	12	59	21
A. A. R. Botelho	1	1	6	0
H. A. de Botelho	1	1	6	0
P. P. Botelho	6	12	69	0
E. O. Butler	7	13	87	0
E. B. de Carvalho	1	1	10	0
H. P. Chan	1	1	10	0
H. H. Chan	1	1	10	0
G. R. Chappie	2	3	18	0
Chiu Chong-an	1	1	2	0
C. Taylor	1	1	2	0
W. H. Choy	1	5	34	0
A. D. Coppin	1	2	17	0
W. L. H. Jones	10	7	14	0
N. Delia	17	22	18	2
C. Encarnacao	4	4	1	0
G. P. Ferguson	1	1	2	0
L. G. Frost	60	23	21	0
K. W. Fung	1	2	17	0
F. Marshall	7	3	0	0
P. K. Gray	1	1	0	0
G. D. A. Gregory	1	1	0	0
G. D. A. Gregory	1	1	0	0
A. J. P. Heard	2	1	3	23
H. H. Ho	1	1	3	23
P. K. T. Ho	1	1	3	23
Ip Kiu Ying	1	1	3	23
Ip Kiu Yim	1	1	3	23
Ip Kiu Yim	1	1	3	23
G. R. Jones	1	1	3	23
C. N. Kong	1	1	3	23
Dr. S. K. Lee	1	1	3	23
D. S. Li	4	3	10	15
F. Li	4	3	10	15
F. Li	4	3	10	15
Lo G. Hing	1	1	3	23
F. Label	1	1	3	23
A. Newington	1	1	3	23
V. V. Needa	1	1	3	23
G. Neugebauer	1	1	3	23
D. H. Wong	1	1	3	23
S. N. Pan	1	1	3	23
H. V. Pearce	1	1	3	23
H. G. Poy	1	1	3	23
J. de B. Prichard	1	1	3	23
H. P. R. R.	1	1	3	23
L. P. Ralph	1	1	3	23
G. U. de Rosa	12	10	4	47
S. Y. Sun	1	1	3	23
M. C. Tang	1	1	3	23
S. W. Tang	1	1	3	23
B. L. Tao	4	5	12	18
A. Wall	1	1	3	23
Wong Tuenan	1	1	3	23
R. M. Wood	1	1	3	23
W. N. Yeh	1	1	3	23
Yeung Wing Kwee	1	1	3	23
Yeung Wing Sing	1	1	3	23
Yue Shun Yau	1	1	3	23
B. L. Yuen	1	1	3	23

DOUBLE FIGURE SUCCESSES

MR. FROST AGAIN

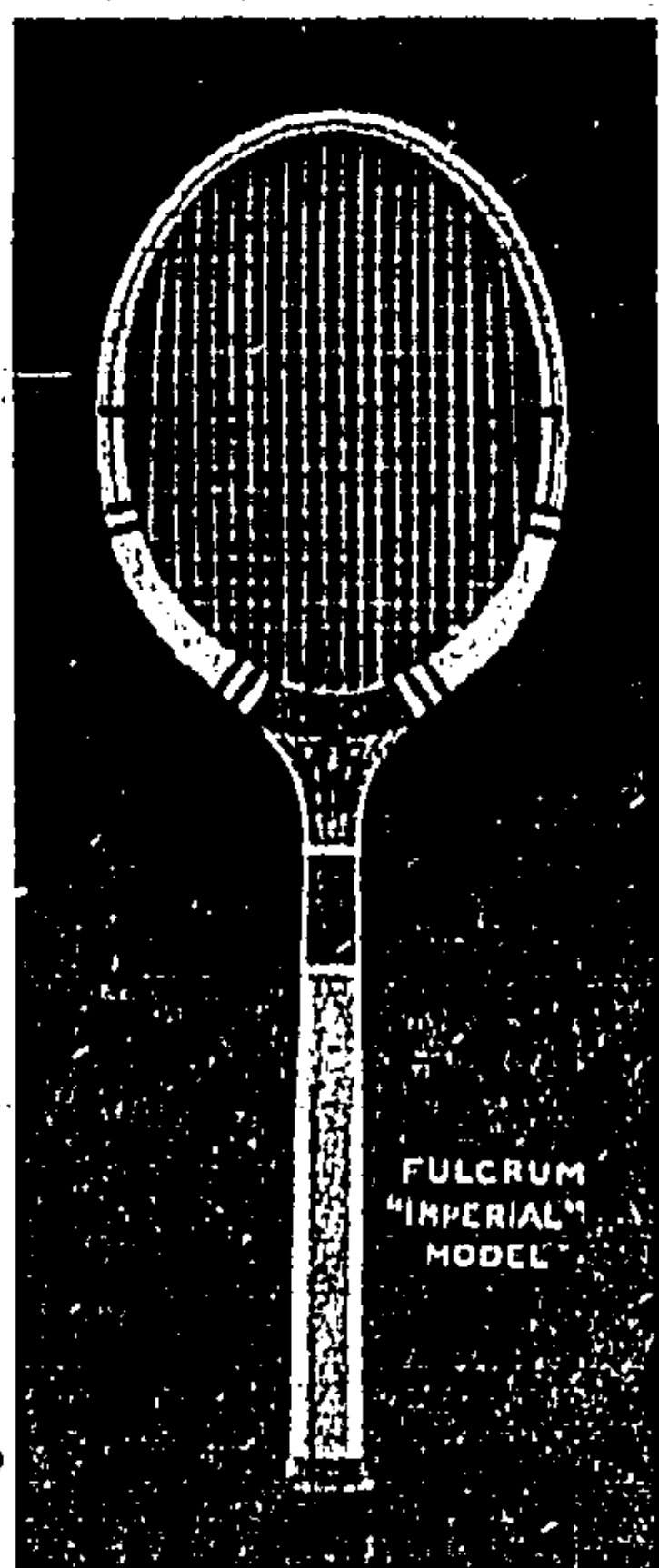
Of the double figure wins, the ranking list in percentages works as follows:—

Jockey	Wins	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Per-
L. G. Frost	60	23	21	0	81.15
D. Black	17	12	59	21	44.88
N. Delia	17	22	18	2	41.00
G. U. de Rosa	12	10	4	47	39.74
H. P. Chan	1	1	10	0	31.63
W. H. Choy	1	5	34	0	81.00

Mr. Leo Frost was soon at his best in the Twelfth Extra Meeting held on November 16, when he scored 100% by registering four wins on Snowy River, Mistake Bay, Cold Morning and Pride of Tsingtao, and was placed on Pontine Bay, King's Justice and Seventeenth of September. At the same meeting, Mr. G. Rosa did a "hat trick" on King's Jubilee, King's Warden and Wadebridge.

Although we lost Mr. Johnnie Harnd, who left here before Easter for England, Mr. Ralph returned to the saddle at the last Meeting before the recess and I do not think he requires any further introduction.

During the year Messrs. G. R. Chappie, Fung Kwok Wa, R. M. Wood, and S. L. Yuen had the satisfaction to break their "ducks" and Mr. Tang Man-wai, at future meetings, have black letters to his name on the Telegraph Board. The introduction of Jockey allowance was responsible for Mr. Tang's three wins on Soldier of Peace, The Rain Gauge and Locksley Hall to put him out of the novices and Messrs. Choy Wing Hay and F. F. Li will very soon follow Mr. Tang.

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F. A. DECISION LAST NIGHT

League Match To Be Re-Arranged

(By "Veritas")

WINNERS OF STAKES

(Continued from Page 8.)

almost last but one. Vixen Tor ran a wonderful race in the Champions last Saturday when she came in second, beating her stable companion Bag Tor and Night Star—two old timers. Vixen Tor failed to strike her form during the first half and was also a bad lady at the barrier. After the recess she won three races and a second, and was unplaced in the St. Leger. On every occasion Mr. Ralph was at the helm and the combination should be closely watched when they appear again in public. The record of a Mile is 1.45 and Lady Southern's Halcyon won the last race, the Final H'cap, last Saturday in 1.46.3/5 and the pony had 10 lbs. to spare.

Amazing Liberty Bay

UNIQUE WINNING RECORD

Under the category of Old China Ponies, the following stakes winners reveal some interesting figures:

Hidre	\$ 2,125
Boxing Eve	1,725
Bright View	1,775
Cassock's Beauty	2,425
Gladiator	3,150
Hetman	2,335
King's Bounty	2,100
King's Justice	2,875
King's Warden	3,821
Liberty Bay	7,850
Mancroft	2,575
Monoplane	1,775
Old Day	2,150
Ribble	2,850
Sadko	2,325
Soldier of Britain	2,800
The Tiger	2,350
Total	\$16,910

The total amounts to \$16,910 not including those that have won, less than \$1,500.

Liberty Bay started seven times and won all the seven races without any trouble. He made \$7,850 and I suppose it is ample to pay for the cost of his barley and bran, and carrots are given whenever wanted!

carrying over set up such an unprecedented demand for tickets that a separate counter had to be provided, and when the bell went for closing, many ladies were left in the cold. It will be recalled that the pool of the combination Mistake Bay/Festival Eve amounted to a colossal sum of \$20,935.20 and the total number of chances sold was 3,927 of which there were 2,110 tickets on Mistake Bay.

The Hongkong Football Club's suggestion that tomorrow's match against the East Lancashire be used both as a league encounter and the Senior Shield replay was turned down by the League Management Committee last night.

After deliberation the committee ordered that the game be regarded solely as a Shield replay and the league match, which it supersedes must be re-arranged at a later date.

TOO MUCH FOOTBALL

More and more clear does it become that there is too much competitive football in Hongkong, and unless the Association is content with the season stretching far into May, some methods will have to be devised to keep the programme within reasonable limits. This season, in addition to an unusually big league programme the following competitions have still to be played off: Senior and Junior Shields, Lai Wah Cup, Governor's Cup, International Charity Cup, Kowloon Cup, and special representative games such as the Children's Playground Fund. Furthermore there will be time taken out later in preparation for the Interport when probably two Saturdays at least will be used for trials to the complete elimination of first division league matches. Mid-week games are out of the question for most clubs until April as the players cannot get away from business time to get the games played before the light falls.

Nobody wants to see the elimination of the various cup competitions, especially as charities benefit from more than one, but the congested state of fixtures towards the end of March and April each year is becoming increasingly intolerable and it is a position which calls for the attention of the Association. They may very well find it necessary to split the first division into two sections. As it stands today this division is much too unwieldy and could easily be revised.

SCHOOL SOCCER

La Salle College Beat St. Joseph's

The La Salle College first and second team had two friendly football matches on Wednesday; the first had St. Joseph's College as their opponents and won by two goals to nil, while the second eleven beat King's College by 13 goals to 4. The first team game was played at Happy Valley at the Saints' ground. At half time La Salle was leading by a goal to nil scored by Ulrich. The same player netted another one after the breather. The second team between King's College and La Salle College which was played at King's Park proved to be a one-sided affair. The La Salle boys simply scored as they wished, although King's College managed to net four goals. The final score was 13 goals to 4.

ANOTHER DEFEAT FOR OXFORD

RUGBY TEAM LOSES TO EDINBURGH U.

London, Dec. 19.
Oxford University rugby team suffered another reverse to-day in the course of their Scottish tour. Entertained by Edinburgh University they were beaten by 14 points to nine. Earlier in the week they fell victims to Edinburgh Academicals.—*Reuter*.

LOCAL PONY ROUP

Only Nine Sold Out Of Sixteen Put Up

Although sixteen ponies were originally scheduled to be put up for auction, only nine were sold yesterday when a pony roup was held at the Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

Soldier of Germany, which has won and has been placed many times, attracted the biggest offer of the day when it was sold to Mr. N. Deitz for \$410. Heart's Glory and Locksley Hall each fetched \$200.

In the list of ponies up for auction, Flying Tourist was included, but the auctioneer announced that she had been withdrawn.

The following ponies were sold yesterday:

Pony	Bought By	Price
Beginner's Luck	Mak Chai	\$ 65
Winkfield	Mak Chai	70
Trent	Mak Chai	65
Soldier of Germany	N. Deitz	410
Tillicum	N. Deitz	170
Heart's Glory	Fung Sze-hei	200
Locksley Hall	Capt. Rybot, R.A.	200
China Pony	Mr. Brown	140
Propitious Time	Dr. J. Durran	130
High Finance	Soldier of China	100
Soldier of Victory	Partnership	100
Racing Heart	Almerity and Flying Tourist	were withdrawn.

F. A. CUP REPLAY

Chesterfield Lose To Walsall

London, Dec. 19.
Another F.A. Cup tie was replayed to-day leaving only one second round match—Hullfax v. Hartlepool—outstanding.

Walsall, playing at home to Chesterfield won by the odd goal in three. They are on their own ground to Newcastle in the third round which is being played next month.—*Reuter*.

CRICKET GAMES

H.K.F.C. Teams For Two Matches

The following will play for the H.K.F.C. first XI in a League Match v. the I.R.C. on the latter's ground starting at 2 p.m. to-morrow: A. R. Hayward (capt.), A. C. Beck, E. R. Duckitt, C. S. Dingley, P. C. Frost, H. Owen Hughes, L. D. Kibbe, I. McInnes, T. A. Pearce, T. E. Pearce, T. M. L. Redmond.

The following will play for the 2nd XI v. the Police in a League match on the Club ground, starting at 2 p.m.: A. K. Mackenzie (capt.), H. J. Armstrong, V. C. Bond, G. E. Divett, F. A. Dumett, I. S. Forbes, N. P. Fox, R. S. W. Paterson, W. Keith Robinson, G. A. Stewart, W. Wooding.

INTERPORT RUGBY

On the occasion of the visit of the Shanghai Union Football Club at Chinese New Year, the Interport Dance will be held on Saturday, January 25, and the Interport Dinner on January 28, both at the Peninsula Hotel.



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THE COLONY'S TRADE OFFICIAL STATISTICS FOR NOVEMBER

According to official trade statistics issued by the Statistical Office of the Imports and Exports Department, the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise during the first eleven months of 1935 amounted to \$576.4 millions (\$57.6 millions) as compared with \$674.4 millions (\$67.4 millions) in the corresponding period of 1934, representing a decrease of 14.5% in terms of Hongkong currency and an increase of 13.2% in terms of sterling values.

Imports of merchandise during the first eleven months of 1935 totalled \$330.7 millions (\$33.1 millions), as compared with \$377.7 millions (\$37.8 millions) in the corresponding period of 1934, a decrease of 12.4% in Hongkong dollar values and an increase of 6.7% in sterling values.

Exports of merchandise during the first eleven months of 1935 totalled \$245.6 millions (\$24.6 millions), as compared with \$296.7 millions (\$29.7 millions) in the corresponding period of 1934, a decrease of 17.2% in Hongkong dollar values and an increase of 9.4% in sterling values.

During the month of November, 1935 imports of merchandise amounted to a total of \$28.4 millions (\$2.8 millions), as compared with \$32.2 millions (\$3.2 millions) in November, 1934, a dollar decrease of 26.8% and a sterling decrease of 34.4%.

The following table shows comparative figures of imports and exports of Merchandise and Treasure during the months of November, 1935 and November, 1934:

	Nov. 1935.	Nov. 1934.
Imports	\$28,410,709	\$38,817,414
Exports	\$23,541,998	\$29,674,562
Merchandise	\$23,232,844	\$29,405,313
Treasure	\$307,154	\$269,249
Total	\$51,952,707	\$68,491,976

LOCAL WEDDING

MR. BRERETON WEDS MISS E. MOFFITT

A wedding of great interest in newspaper circles in the Colony was solemnized yesterday afternoon at St. John's Cathedral, when Miss Elaine Moffitt became the bride of Mr. Lionel S. Le Gay Brereton, of the South China Morning Post editorial staff.

The bride arrived from Sydney, Australia, yesterday on the steamer Kamo Maru. She was accompanied by Mr. Le Gay Brereton, mother of the bridegroom. The bride, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Moffitt, recently completed her training as a nursing sister at the Royal North Shore Hospital, Sydney.

The bridegroom is the youngest son of the late Professor J. Le Gay Brereton and Mrs. Le Gay Brereton. The bride, who was given away in marriage by Dr. H. D. Matthews, looked charming in a pale blue georgette gown with matching hat. She carried a shower bouquet of white tuberoses.

Attending the bride were the Misses Helen Wylie and Sheila Haynes, both in pale blue and cream-colored shaded gowns respectively. They carried sheaves of orange-blossomed gladioli.

The bridegroom's mother wore a floral georgette gown and a corsage of shaded sweet peas. The duties of best man were undertaken by Mr. Norman Stockton.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Club rooms of the Australian and New Zealand Association. After toasts and good wishes, Mr. and Mrs. Le Gay Brereton left for their honeymoon, which is being spent at Repulse Bay.

THE CHEERO CLUB

RESULT OF THE CHRISTMAS WHIST DRIVE

The following were the results of the special Christmas whist drive held at the Cheero Club on Tuesday last:

Ladies 1st, Mrs. Hunt, 2nd, Mrs. Hourihan, 3rd, Mrs. Deacon. Gentlemen, 1st, Mr. Forster, 2nd, Mr. Baker, 3rd, Mr. Marling. Highest half, Mrs. Morrison, Mr. Farr. Booby, Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. Billingham.

There were twelve other special and mystery prizes, all of which were keenly contested and for some of which several players had to "cut," the results of the cuts causing much hilarity. There were twenty complete tables and the applause at the end was loud and prolonged.

Most of the prizes and the refreshments were presented by various members of the Club committee and lady helpers, and great credit is due to the ladies and men's committee and their helpers who must have gone to a great deal of trouble to make the evening the undoubted success it was.

CINEMA NEWS NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

The problem of a man over forty who finds himself in love with a girl half his age, faced by Herbert Marshall in Paramount's "Accent On Youth" commencing to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre. Starred opposite Sylvia Sydney, Marshall plays the leading masculine role in the picture, adapted from the hit play of the current Broadway season, "Accent On Youth." Unable to tell his secretary how much he loves her, he gives her the leading role in his play, written about just such a life situation as he faces. As she falls in love with the handsome leading man, Philip Reed, Marshall watches her with mixed feelings. As a dramatist, he is satisfied with the working of his plot, but as a man, he is unhappy at the prospect of losing her. Because Reed is awkward in his approach, Marshall coaches him in making love to Sylvia Sydney. She finally accepts Reed and marries him. Her marriage to Reed convinces her that she really loves Marshall. In the witty and amusing final sequences, these three extricate themselves from their romantic problems in a totally unexpected manner, and Marshall finally wins Miss Sydney.

"I Live My Life"

Joan Crawford and W. S. Van Dyke, the star and director who collaborated with such success to make "Foraking All Others" a united again in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's new vehicle for the glamorous actress, "I Live My Life," which comes to the King's Theatre Sunday. Brian Aherne, the English actor who played opposite Helen Hayes in "What Every Woman Knows," is Joan Crawford's leading man in the virile role of a hard-boiled archaeologist who falls in love with a society girl. Frank Morgan appears as Joan Crawford's father in a role similar to the one he played in "Naughty Marietta." Aline MacMahon, the "Brooklyn Duse," is prominently cast in the humorous part of the "other girl." Eric Blore, the eccentric waiter of "Gay Divorcee," is the omnipresent butler in the new picture. Fred Keating, the Broadway star recently seen in "The Captain Hates the Sea," plays the archaeologist's rival. Also in the cast are a line-up of stars including Arthur Treacher, Hedda Hopper, Frank Conroy, Etienne Girardot, Edward Brophy, Sterling Holloway and others of like stature. The picture is based on A. Carter Goodloe's prize-winning short story, "Claus-trophobia," and deals with the romance of a sophisticated debutante and a horny-handed young archaeologist. The drama hinges on his efforts to live a skyscraper life in New York in order to be near the girl he loves, and its eventual effect upon him. Joseph Mankiewicz wrote the seven play. Goldfried Reinhardt and Elmer B. Borden collaborated on the adaptation. The locale of the picture shifts between the exotic Greek island of Naxos, where the lovers meet, New York City and a Connecticut estate. The picture is a recognized standard of Art Director Cedric Gibbons and his associate, E. B. Willis. Many of these are exteriors, constructed high above the glittering shores of Catalina Island, to which the company journeyed on location. Adrian has designed more than a dozen striking new ensembles, worn as only Joan Crawford can wear them.

"Mr. Dynamite"

One of the most thrilling murder mystery stories of the year opened last night at the Star Theatre, with the showing of Universal's "Mr. Dynamite," starring Edmund Lowe. The story, by Dashiell Hammett, who will be remembered for his "Thin Man," offers a most neatly constructed plot, involving no less than three murders, and at no time is there a lapse in audience interest. Lowe plays the role of "Dynamite," a reckless, black sheep detective who is given a police escort out of every town he enters. He is called in by private interests to solve the mysterious murder of a young boy who is shot down as he is leaving the grounds of the Casino, gambling resort. While Lowe endeavours to pick up the threads of a clue around this murder, two more murders take place, which police refuse to give him access. Lowe eventually gets around these difficulties and solves all three mysteries, makes one of the most absorbing pictures seen in a long, long time. Lowe is excellent in a role made to order for him, while Jean Dixon, as his wise-cracking secretary, does nicely by herself and the part. Miss Dixon is a product of the stage who bids fair to increase her popularity on the screen. Others who distinguish themselves in the cast are Verna Hillie, a little blonde newcomer who shows plenty of talent and personality; Victor Varconi; Esther Ralston and Robert Gleckler. "Mr. Dynamite" is a worthy successor to "The Thin Man." Alan Crosland, one of Hollywood's young veteran directors, is responsible for the smooth running tempo in the story and the excellent touches of direction the picture shows.

"People Will Talk"

The ever popular team of Charlie Ruggles and Mary Boland stars in the now Paramount comedy of domestic manners, "People Will Talk," now at the Queen's Theatre. The two stars who have been cast as husband and wife in eight previous pictures—comedy hits—among them "Ruggles Of The Red Gap" and "The Pursuit Of Happiness," cut new marital capers in "People Will Talk," which is set in a suburb where anybody's business is everybody else's. And the results are terrific. It all starts when Lolla Hyams and Dean Jagger, playing the roles of daughter and son-in-law, engage in a bit of domestic squabbling. To show them the evils of hotting, Mary and Charlie stage a bout them-

MINERS STRIKE THREAT OVERWHELMING VOTE FOR FIGHT

London, Dec. 18. The wages dispute in the coal-mining industry was the object of anxious consultations throughout yesterday, in course of which the Minister for Mines, Captain Crookshank, had interviews in the morning and evening with the Executive of the Miners' Federation. Captain Crookshank announced in the Commons last night that the Government had refused the request of the Mineworkers' Federation that it should augment wages out of public funds.

Shortly before midnight after a long meeting of the Federation Executive, Mr. Joseph Jones, its President, said the situation was exceedingly grave.

The Delegate Conference is meeting to-day to receive the report of its Executive and to take a decision. —British Wireless.

KOWLOON JUNIORS

ATTRACTIVE CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

Relatives and friends had a very pleasant evening when the children of the Kowloon Junior School presented an entertainment in St. Andrew's Hall yesterday.

A nursery rhyme play by Classes 9B and 10 was the first item on the programme. The Three Little Pigs, the Big Bad Wolf, Bo-Peep, Jack Horner and the other favourites of childhood were all there, and the pretty songs were well rendered.

Class 9A's turn was next, and they gave recitations of "Light the Lamps on Lamplighter" and "Nursery Rhymes of London Town." In the latter, perhaps the most appreciated were "King's Cross" by Joan Millard, "Oxford Circus" by John Mely and "Limehouse and Poplar" by Brian Pengelly.

After the interval a fantasy, "Etain," based on an ancient Celtic legend, was presented. Considering the age of the performers, it was very well acted, and F. Sabey as Eocaidh, King of Ireland, and M. Gelling, as Etain, a Fairy Princess, were excellent.

A Children's Pageant of Christmas, "Bethlehem," concluded the evening's entertainment. Audrey Dawkins was a charming Medsela Landy, while a charming Martin and Victor Broadwood were very good as "The Tall Angels."

Several carols were sung, and the children grouped on the stage made a very striking picture in their different costumes. The teachers, especially Miss Stuart, deserve great credit for the costumes, each teacher having made those for her own class. Mr. Sanders was responsible for the electric lighting effects and Mr. Keith, of the Kowloon Docks for stage effects.

Attractive programmes were sold for ten cents each, and all proceeds are to go to the Society for the Protection of Children.

Unfortunately, the stage bout developed into a real one. The climax of the picture, in which everything is finally ironed out, is one steady barrage of laughs.

"Diamond Jim" Brady, flashiest figure in night life history, owned thirty different sets of jewellery, one for every day in the month, a total fortune of \$2,000,000 in gems. Replicas of all these had to be produced for the movie version of "Diamond Jim." It is safe to say that the screenplay, starring Edward Arnold, now at the King's Theatre, required more research than any other picture produced in Hollywood during the past year. That the picture could be an authentic reproduction of the life and times of Brady, a nation-wide search was conducted for furniture, cars, bicycles and other things that figured so prominently in the super-salesman's career. Wherever possible, the real item was secured. In some instances, however, exact replicas were made. The search for the electric brougham which Brady drove down Fifth Avenue the first horseless carriage ever seen in New York City, went over the entire nation before the desired model was found. Edward Arnold, playing the starring role, Jean Arthur as the woman he loved, Binnie Barnes as Lillian Russell, had to go into training for the role of "Diamond Jim." He had to add weight far parts. Many of the scenes show Arnold consuming huge meals, some of them costing hundreds of dollars.

"Powdermoke Range" Instead of one star, RKO Radio presents a whole galaxy of hard riding, straight shooting heroes in "Powdermoke Range," a war western picture of the early sixties, coming to the Alhambra on Sunday. Harry Carey and Hoot Gibson head the stellar galloping brigade, with Guinn "Big Boy" Williams, Ben Steele, Tom Tyler, Wally Wales, Art Mix, Buzz Barton, Buffalo Bill, Jr., William Farnum, Bill Desmond, Francis Ford and Franklin Farnum playing featured supporting roles. Supplying beauty and romance is blonde Boots Mallory in the feminine lead. Sam Hardy supplies the menace and others in the cast include Ray Mayer, Adrian Morris and Eddie Dunn. The picture based on William Colt MacDonald's novel of the same name, centres around the exploits of three range "musketiers" in thwarting the theft of a rich cattle property and in clearing up a band of frontier outlaws who operate under the protection of a crooked deputy sheriff. Wallace Fox directed under the supervision of Cliff Reid.

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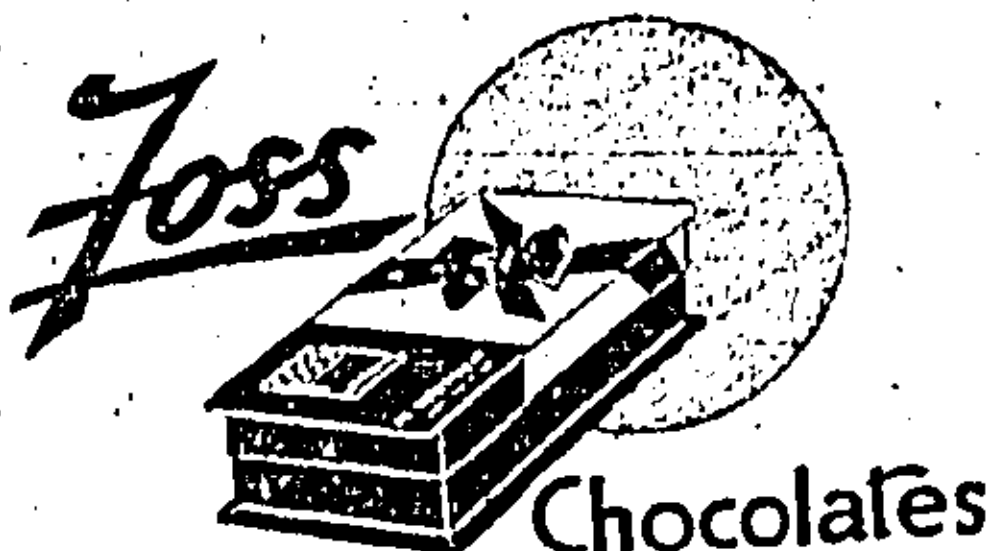
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Tibet Waits For Baby Who Shall Become A God

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British services worked by two companies, Imperial Airways and Hillman Airways, with luxury liners, have between them captured practically three-quarters of the total passenger traffic on the cross-Channel routes.

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Air France's new machines, Farman monoplanes, are to be of forty-passenger, 3,200 horse-power, four-engined giants, capable of at least 180 m.p.h. Undercarriage wheels retract in flight to lessen wind resistance.

In a year French average cruising speeds on all European services, including slower lines, have risen from 109 m.p.h. to between 130 and 137 m.p.h.

British average cruising speed, taking the two main air-lines together, can be put at 114 m.p.h.

France expects her new machines will put cruising speeds up to the 160 m.p.h. mark or more.

FIVE MOTHERS IN 'MOST BABIES' RACE

Toronto, Dec. 15.

ENTER Mrs. Arthur Timleck (Irish, and proud of it, too) into the ranks of the contestants for the oddest race in the world's history—the Toronto Stork Marathon.

In case the words "Stork Marathon" mean nothing to you let me explain.

On October 30, 1926, Charles Vance Millar, Toronto, lawyer and sportsman, died, leaving the bulk of his estate, valued at £100,000, to the Toronto wife who became the mother of the greatest number of children in the ten years immediately following his death.

For months now four women have been boasting that the prize will be theirs.

Those four are:

Mrs. Matthew Kenny, French wife of a man who is of Scots-Irish parentage;

Mrs. Joseph Baginato, an interpreter (Italian) in Toronto Police Court;

Mrs. John Nagle, aged thirty-three and living on relief;

Mrs. Graziano, wife of an Italian labourer.

Mrs. Timleck's entry into the contest has upset all their plans.

Mrs. Timleck claims to have had nine children since October 30, 1926, and is expecting another soon.

Here is what the four other contestants say about the contest and about their claims:

Mrs. Kenny: "I have had eleven children (all living) since Mr. Millar died, and I expect a twelfth child long before next October. The prize is mine."

Mrs. Baginato: "I am not worried about Mrs. Kenny's claim. I'm pretty sure I shall win."

"Pay Back" Plan

Mrs. Nagle: "I have eight children who satisfy the conditions, and I am going to win this race. We want the money, so we can pay back all the money we have had from the Relief."

Mrs. Graziano: "I have hopes that I shall win the prize because all the leaders will be disqualified for disputing. I want the prize to buy plenty of food. We do not get enough to live on."

Many attempts have been made to have Mr. Millar's will set aside on the ground that it was only drawn up as a joke, but the law courts point to a sentence in the will which seems to disprove that theory. That sentence says:

"This will is necessarily uncommon and capricious, because I have no dependants or near relations, and no duty rests upon me to leave any property at my death, and what I do leave is proof of my folly in gathering and retaining more than I needed in my lifetime."

EARTHQUAKE WARNINGS

Scientists have discovered that earthquakes send out warnings in advance.

Before almost every large earthquake minor sound waves radiate from the affected area.

Charts to record forecasts of the earthquake centre are being devised.

Warnings will then be sent out to people living in the areas some hours before the earthquake is expected.

Destruction Of World Predicted

New York, Dec. 12.

Destruction of all life on the earth because of tremendous heat in the interior and transformation of the earth from a planet into a flaming star was predicted here by Professor Bailey Willis, of Stanford University.

The earth began to melt "certainly more than two billion years ago" because of radio-active substances within its core, Willis says in the current issue of *Science*. The melting has progressed slowly and may be exhausted, he said, but—

It seems more probable that the persistent release of atomic forces is continuing and will continue to supply heat and to melt the surrounding shell, with the result that mother earth may eventually take her place among the shining stars.—United Press.

BOY WITH HOLY SUNSPOT

BECOMES THE HIGHEST IN THE LAND

PARENTS JOIN THE NOBILITY

TIBET, the vast and mysterious tableland that defied the conquerors of all the ages, is looking for a baby who shall be a god.

He is, according to Buddhist belief, a reincarnation of the former holder of the office.

The leading prelates of Tibet search for a baby boy who was born as nearly as possible to the time when the Dalai Lama died.

It is the ambition of every Tibetan woman to give birth to a boy who shall become the Dalai Lama.

She and all her family are forthwith ennobled. Estates are granted to them by the Tibetan Government.

There is never any lack of candidates when the chance presents itself.

Chief Test

A weeding-out process soon reduces the choice to about a dozen babies.

It is then that the serious task begins of deciding which of these interesting infants possesses the soul of the Dalai Lama who has died.

The chief test is a close scrutiny of a certain mark that every boy in Tibet bears on his shoulder blade.

It is a sun burn produced by a burning glass, but interposed between the burning glass and the child's shoulder is a disc of metal held at an angle which represents the shape of the moon at the time the baby was born.

The child with the moon mark nearest to the known shape of the moon when the Dalai Lama died is judged to be his reincarnation.

The lucky youngster is then taken from the custody of his parents and carefully trained by prelates for his high office.

The parents are usually poor peasants, but so long as their son, the new Dalai Lama, lives they enjoy the title of "The New Patrimony."

When he dies they, or such of his next of kin who survive, select a new name and enter the ranks of the nobility.

"Thumbs Up"

Great homage must be paid to the Dalai Lama.

When he speaks to any one the person addressed must stick out his tongue as a signal mark of respect.

When he addresses a beggar the favoured mendicant must not only stick out his tongue but must hold his two thumbs pointing upwards.

The highest form of blessing bestowed by the Dalai Lama is the placing of both his hands on the head of the person he blesses.

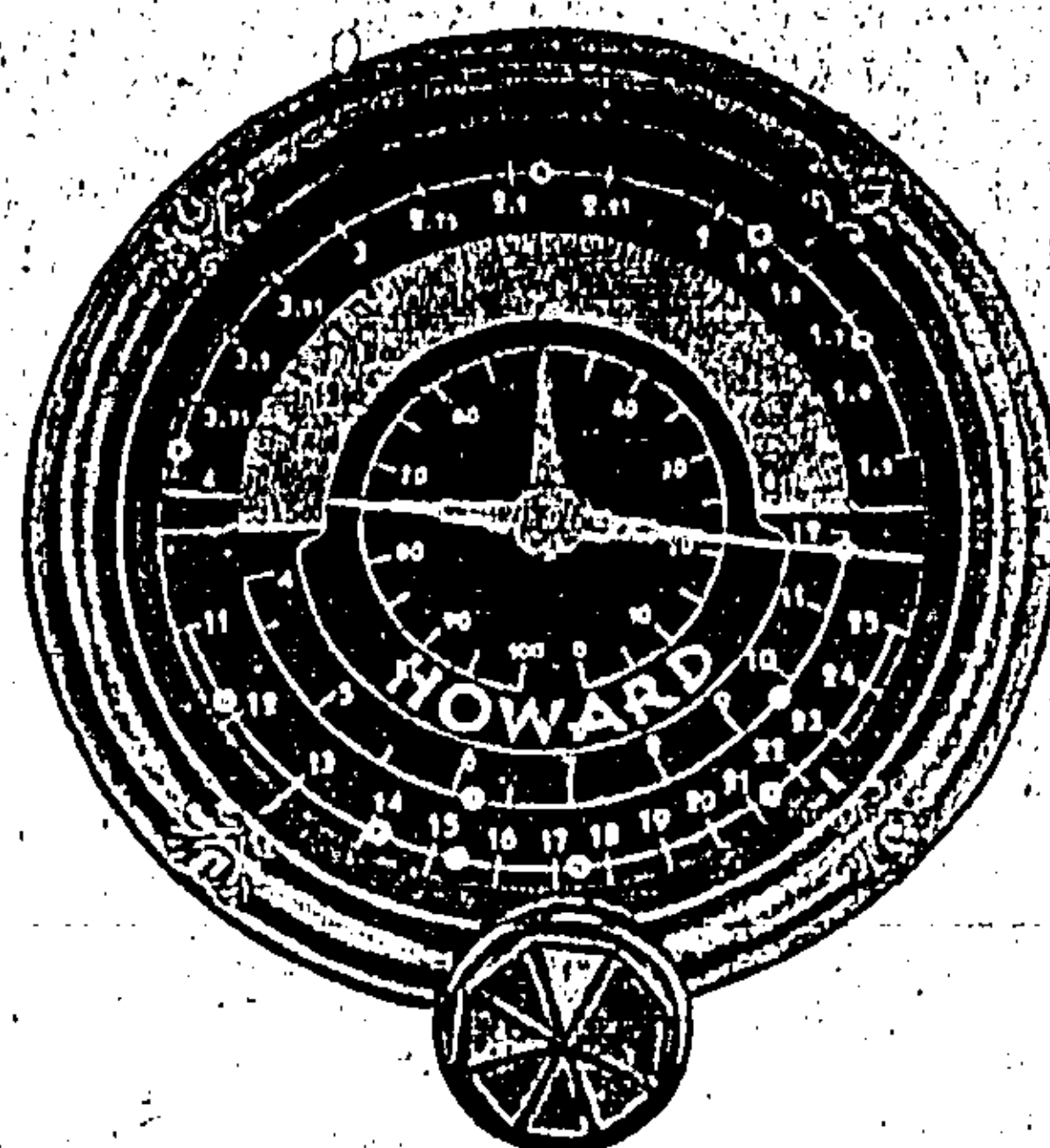
The lowest blessing is just a flick with a tassel.

All women have to be content with this lowest blessing except one, and she is entitled to be blessed by the Dalai Lama placing one hand on her head.

This woman is the only member of her sex who is deemed by the Tibetans to be a reincarnation.

She belongs to the Sain-dang Monastery, and is known as "The Thunderbolt Sow," and is specially venerated as she is credited with the power of actually turning into a sow whenever she wishes to show her displeasure.

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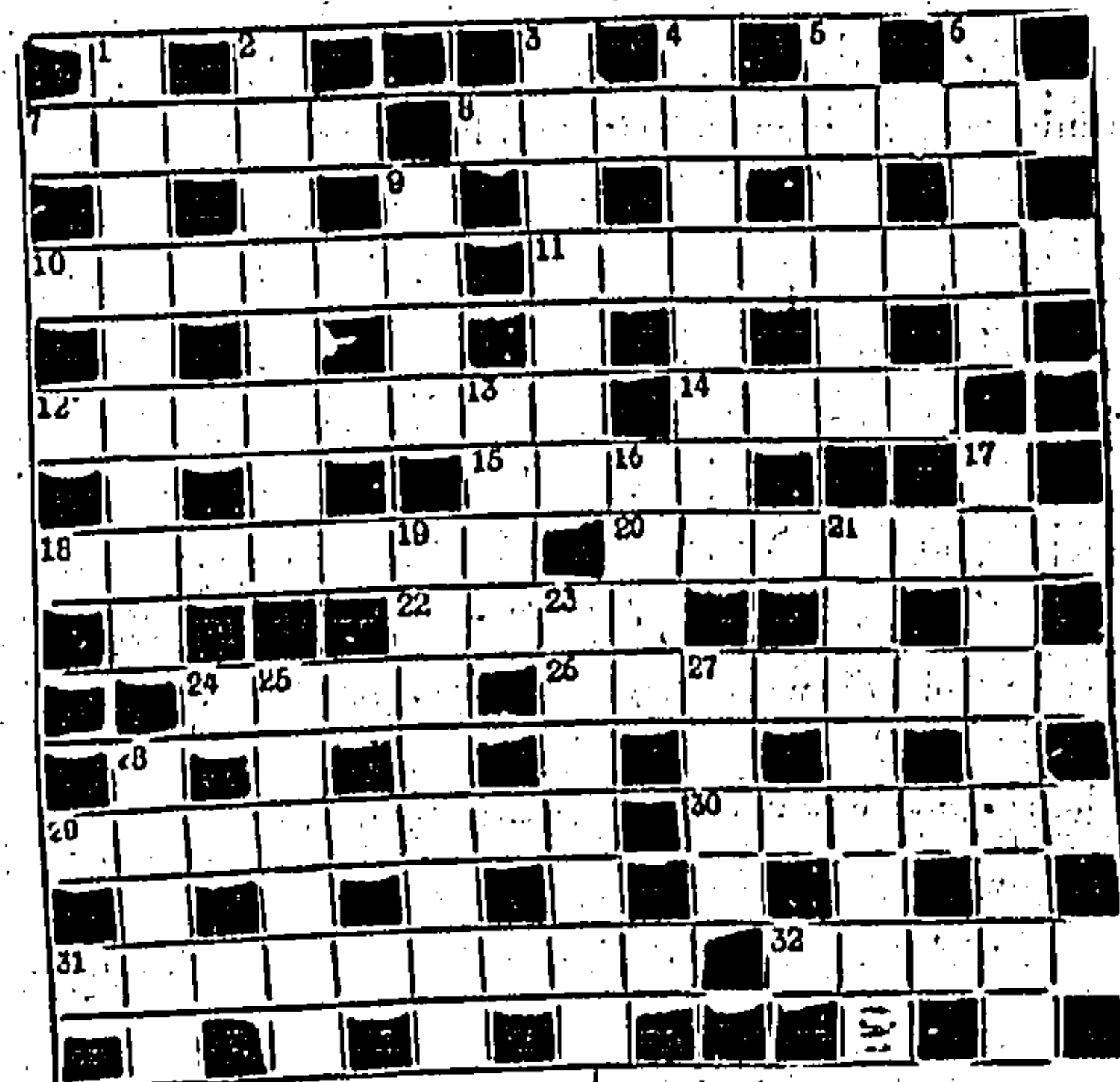
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- 8 Sounds like a dressy animal, the weel.
- 10 One of Sheridan's ladies.
- 11 Tingling (anag.).
- 12 Living on others, as aid to effacement.
- 14 Indian, as in combination with another race.
- 15 Usually attached to a plane.
- 16 More nearly upright.
- 20 Red Ivan in a new role.
- 22 A father, and a mother too.
- 24 At a great distance.
- 26 Orange, or pear, of a sort.
- 29 A mile, son (anag.).
- 30 Alligator.
- 31 Public School.
- 32 A regular mix-up fight.

DOWN

- 1 Type of medical man.
- 2 You'll find it in Cornwall.
- 3 Saucy wench!
- 4 Just a bit on.
- 5 Silvered, for example.
- 6 Though inexperienced, you must take part.
- 9 Biblical character turned from evil.
- 13 Aromatic plant; from the Rand?
- 16 Mud, turned into mere frozen moisture.

- 17 A soldier may be; and red-coated, too.
- 19 They are dependent on the fair rex.
- 21 Resolves.
- 23 Patriarch, began as a sailor.
- 25 To be got anywhere for two shillings.
- 27 Once a gr it draw at the Tower of London.
- 28 Lots will get this.

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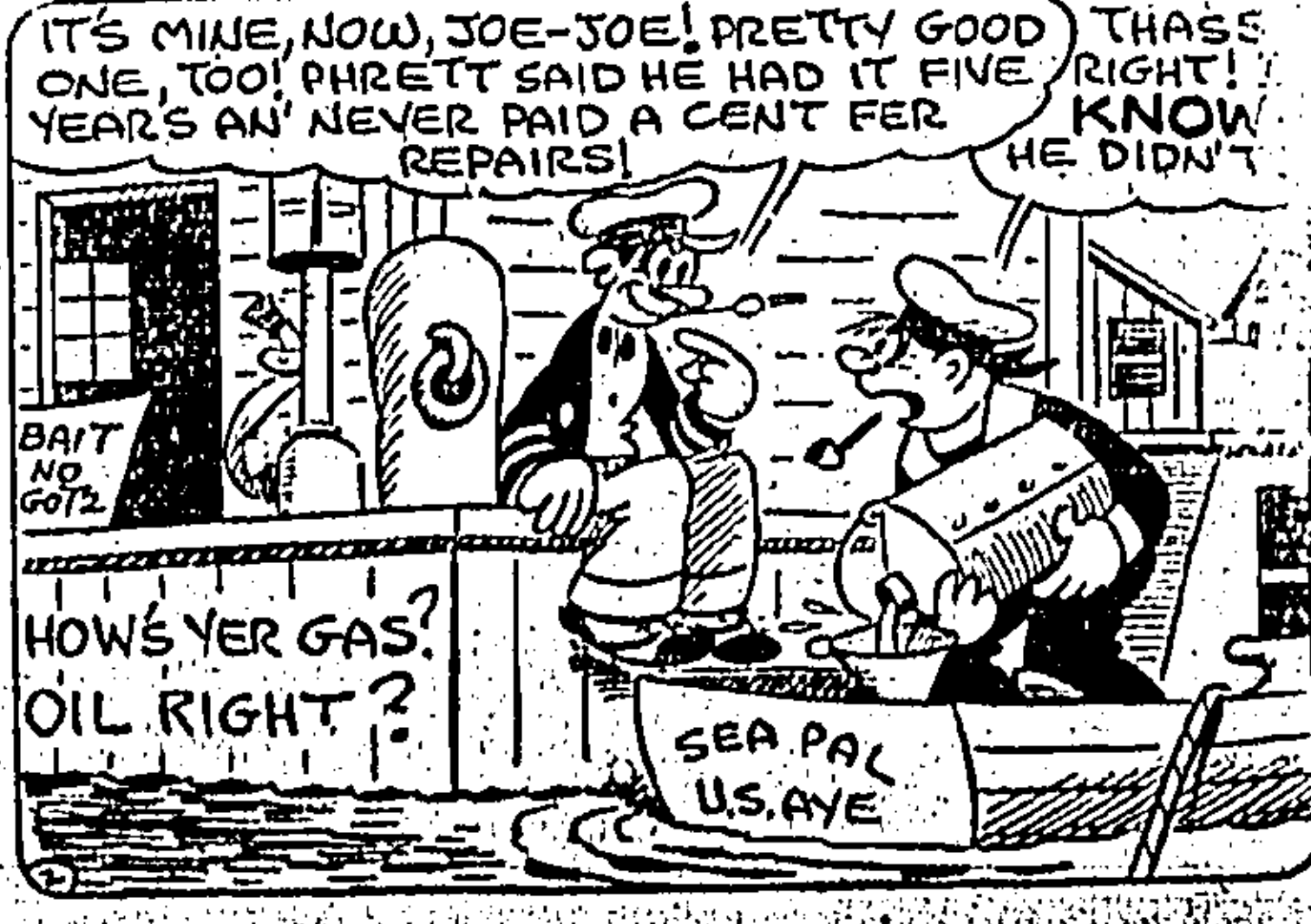
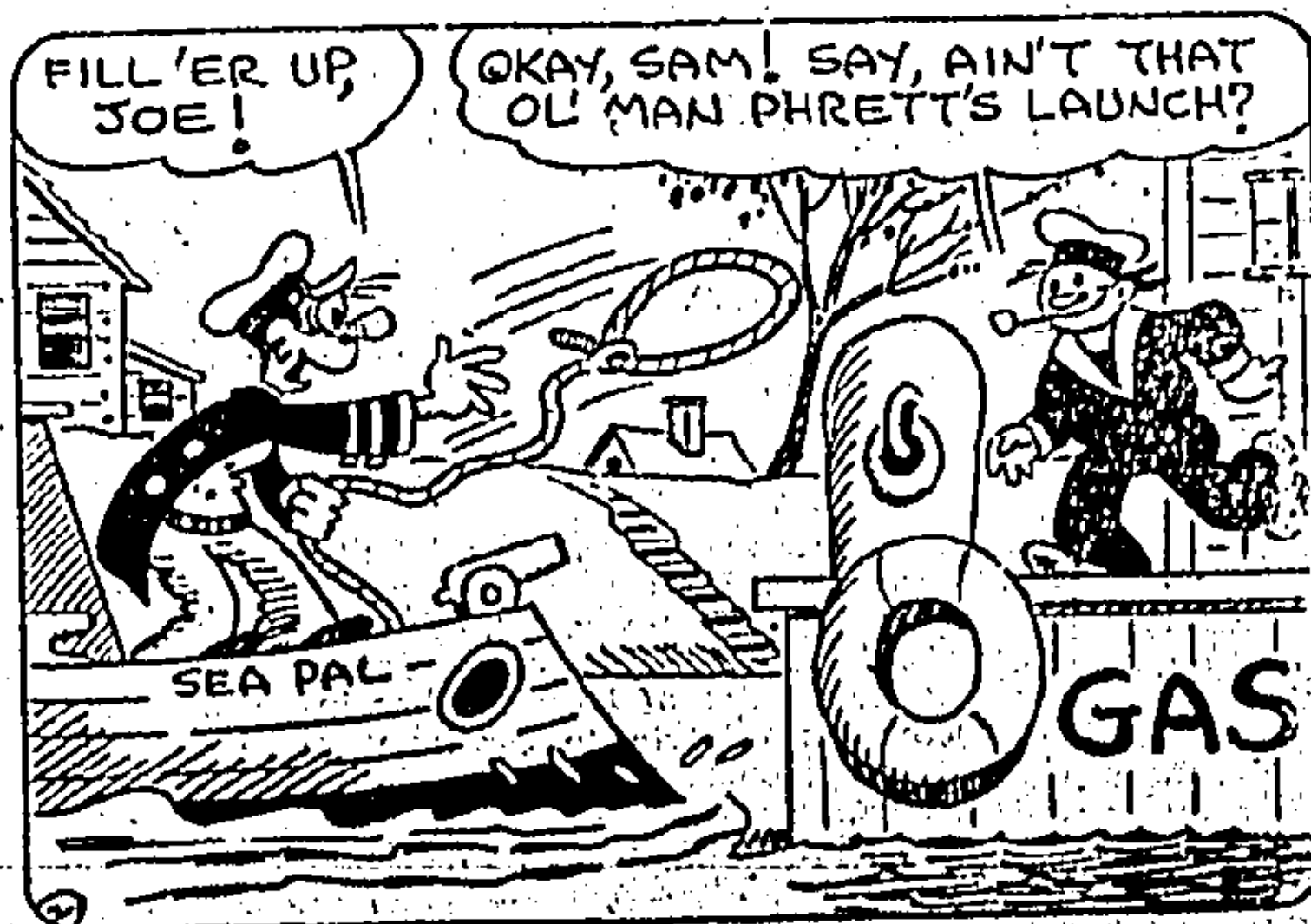
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PLOT THAT SHOOK THE WORLD

"MAY SET ALL EUROPE IN FLAMES"—COUNSEL

Aix-en-Provence, Dec. 8. "I am pleading in a case that may set Europe on fire."

Maitre Desbons, a leader of the Paris bar, shouted these words at the top of his voice here to-day in a court packed with mobile guards, carrying loaded rifles and surrounded with barbed wire and troops, bayonets at the ready.

The trial of three Croat terrorists for complicity in the murder of King Alexander of Yugoslavia and M. Barthou, Foreign Minister of France, had begun.

The assassination, 13 months ago, sent a thrill of fear and horror round the world.

Alexander, on a State visit to France, was driving with Barthou through the streets of Marseilles. Peter Kelemen, member of a secret Yugo-Slav society, leaped on the running board of the car and fired a stream of bullets into the bodies of the King and Foreign Minister. The assassin was trampled to death by the angry mob. Three countries were searched for his accomplices.

Behind the doors of a barricaded Palace of Justice, over which airplanes soared and around which 1,000 guards were mobilised, the trial opened.

Though it is 13 months since the assassination in Marseilles of the King of Yugoslavia and the Foreign Minister of France, to-day there was tension throughout Aix-en-Provence.

Maitre Georges Desbons, representing all the accused men, caused a shock at the outset of the trial. He alleged that the interpreters had worked hand in hand with the police and had hounded one of the accused to suicide.

He read a document bearing the imprint of a Surete Generale which, he alleged, incriminated an interpreter who was not present in court.

AS A PROTEST

The President, the two assistant judges and the Public Prosecutor, rose from their seats and left the court as a protest against the accusations. It was some time before they returned.

The three accused were: Zvonimir Pospischi, otherwise Novak, a chauffeur, aged 31, and a native of Vukovina, Yugoslavia; Ivan Riteh, otherwise Benes, a farmer, aged 32, of Koledino, Yugoslavia, and a former inmate of the Croatian Political Refugees Camp at Janka Puszt, Hungary. He and Pospischi were arrested at Thonon, on the Franco-Swiss frontier, two days after the crime.

Mio Kralj, a mechanic, aged 27, of Koprivnica, Yugoslavia. He was arrested in the Forest of Fontainebleau after a week's chase in the woods.

Three others were tried in their absence. All are prisoners in foreign jails, but their extradition to France has been refused. Queen Marie of Yugoslavia was originally joined in the case with a formal claim for damages, in accordance with French procedure, but she has withdrawn the claim.

The actual assassin was Peter Kolomen, a member of a secret political terrorist society known as the "Oustachi" organised by Dr. Pavlovitch.

The greatest excitement prevailed in the town to-day and particularly near the Palace of Justice. Counsel, witnesses and journalists had to pass through ten separate barricades before they could enter the court.

THOUSAND GUARDS

Behind the Palace were a thousand guards ready for action in case of emergency.

Airplanes flew over Aix as a precaution against any air outrage. For the past week every foreigner arriving in the town has been questioned closely.

The trial opened at nine a.m. The three men listened without understanding to the President of the court while he paid a high tribute to the memory of the dead.

This tribute was followed by another from Maitre Desbons, who added that complete light had not yet been shed on the circumstances of the deed, but that it was to be hoped that full light would be shed in the course of the proceedings.

The President then read a letter from Queen Marie explaining that she became a civil party to the proceedings because "only a civil party was in a position to obtain full light on the ramifications of this international terrorist organisation."

She added that today the position has been changed, thanks to

CIVILISATION EXISTED BEFORE GREAT FLOOD THAT

Mr. F. A. Mitchell-Hedges, famous British explorer, has discovered the cradle of civilisation. It is situated in Central America, where Mr. Mitchell-Hedges has found proof of the Biblical story of the Flood, and, what is more important, traces of a civilisation which existed before that great cataclysm came upon the earth.

His discoveries have been examined by the British Museum.

By F. A. MITCHELL-HEDGES

I have just returned from an area in which there is to be found conclusive proof that the Flood actually occurred.

But it was not the Flood as the Bible describes it; it was something bigger, more cataclysmic.

Three conclusions that I have reached as a result of my discoveries are:—

1. That at some remote time a great land area stretching eastward from Central America sank and was engulfed by the sea.

2. During this gigantic "geological readjustment" a portion of what had been sea bed was heaved upward to become land—even uplands—within the area we now know as Central America.

3. A great and cultured race of people was destroyed by this unparalleled catastrophe.

The vestiges of this luxurious civilisation which flourished in pomp and circumstance "before the Flood" are to be found on the Bay Islands, off the coast of Honduras. Excavations in twenty-one new sites on five islands prove that here lived the earliest cultured man of whom there is any record.

I am convinced that here lay the true cradle of civilisation. The geological evidence is indisputable. Upon the islands, and again upon the mainland, appear cliffs riven and split by the incalculable forces of an epic upheaval.

LANDLOCKED SHARKS

And inland, 400 miles distant from the island as the crow flies, there is a freshwater lake in which

the investigations conducted by the French authorities at her request.

"The date has been fixed when the accused will have to answer their crime before the justice of men," she said. "I can therefore consider as terminated the painful task which I imposed on myself. Having full and complete confidence in French justice, I place my cause in the hands of its representatives."

OBJECTION OVERRULED

Yvan Raitch, one of the accused, was then interrogated.

At first he declined to answer the President's questions on the ground of the poor interpretation. His objection was over-ruled, but the questioning went on very slowly. The President pointed out to Raitch that he joined the "Oustachi," a Croat terrorist organisation, in 1933, and then took an oath to obey all orders and not to divulge any of the organisation's secrets.

The president also recalled that while Raitch was in prison in France, after a severe mental depression, he was examined by doctors, who admitted that he was only partially responsible for his actions.

Raitch repudiated the idea of being insane, declaring: "I have never been crazy, and if I was mentally weakened it was simply because the interpreter told me that I would be tried in Belgrade and that I would be condemned to death by torture."

THIRD POWER

It is known that, in order to defend the accused to the utmost, M. Desbons may attempt to bring in the responsibility of a third Power.

It is feared, too, that an attempt on M. Desbons' life may be made by the numerous Yugoslavs who are now at Aix.

He is guarded night and day by plain clothes members of the Surete Generale.

Three British witnesses who were expected to attend the trial, Mr. Bon Riley, M.P., Mr. Rhys Davies, M.P., and Miss Edith Durham, were not present to-day.

Another witness, Dr. Ante Trumbich, leader of the Croat Peasant Party, and Yugoslav Foreign Minister in 1918-20, was also absent.

It is reported that his passport has been confiscated by the Yugoslav authorities to prevent him attending the trial.

sharks and tarpon, both salt-water fish, live and breed.

In that distant day of chaos the sharks had become inland captives and presumably had "adjusted themselves" during the ages in which the lake lost its salt quality. There came to us one day a dug-out manned by two natives, who told us of a strange place of cliffs and caves upon the little island of Helene.

When our 22-ton boat, Amigo had negotiated a perilous coral barrier we found a wonderful bay running deep into this island.

Ancient lava flows, black and sinister, ended in the sea. Through the translucent water we could see that they continued beneath the water exactly as on land.

A white-hot lava flow cannot strike water and continue beneath it retaining the same formation as when it cools upon land.

The sea could not have been there at the time of that eruption.

Upon the island of Bonaca we found the site of what was once a great religious centre, or city.

The reward of cutting through the jungle was the uncovering of the oldest specimens of cultured man's handicraft yet discovered upon this earth.

In the mighty cliffs of Helene we came upon a tunnel-like aperture. Hot, fetid air greeted us.

STONE AGE CULTURE

This, we found by digging in the rubble and earth floor, had been long occupied by prehistoric man of the Stone Age.

We found many traces of an ancient civilisation—not of a crude, ignorant, savage race. They indicated a high state of culture.

There were large fragments of what had once been a beautiful vase, exquisitely painted; curious stone carvings, unknown to science; perfectly modelled pottery figurines in the forms of grotesque animals.

The highest rounded hill of Helene proved to be the site of a city or town.

Here we found some most curious specimens of pottery. One was in the form of an animal about three inches long with four holes in the body, at the top another hole.

I blew experimentally through the top hole and a clear, sweet note sounded. By moving fingers over the other holes a tune could be played.

We found 11 of these instruments. Here was a veritable orchestra, since different sizes were made for different sets of tones.

Ignorance could not evolve instruments with such a range of harmony and tone. The ancient race which left these behind were a musically cultured people.

It was an eerie experience to sit aboard the Amigo and experiment with these musical instruments which had been unplayed for perhaps 25,000 years.

SHY WOMAN MISSIONARY "ONE OF THE SAINTS"

Halifax, Dec. 15.

"EVERY day I have been hoping to see some news of the smiling Nellie Thomas, who went from Halifax to China to be a missionary. Every day I have prayed for her. Do put in your paper more news of good, unselfish folk, and less about idle people and publicity-seeking film stars."

This letter from Mrs. P. Harris, of Rectory-lane, London, S.W.17, appeared in a London newspaper recently. Shortly afterwards enquiries were made about Miss Thomas, who sailed in October 1933 for a self-selected missionary post in China, in which her predecessor had been murdered three years earlier.

This is what the London newspaper learned:—

1. That such people as Miss Thomas do not make life easy for reporters.

2. That Miss Thomas would not object to your knowing that she is still alive.

3. That she writes to relatives and friends in Halifax telling them about her work—but she would be horrified if they passed the news on.

Directed and redirected from one relative or friend to another, he

Drilling

Eyelashes

Eyelashes are going back to nature. The artificial lashes which were a craze last year are now out of fashion.

The latest fashion is to brush the eyelashes regularly with a tiny brush and then comb them with a minute comb made for the purpose, a West End beauty specialist said.

"This eyelash drill night and morning has been shown to be the best way of making the eyelashes grow longer and thicker."

WIFE SUES FOR LOVE SHE LOST TO DEAD WIDOW

New York, Dec. 10.

A dead woman is cited in an action for alienation of affections filed to-day in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Mrs. Rose Deutsch, wealthy widow of a Philadelphia diamond merchant, died two years ago. Her estate must now meet a charge of "stealing" Joseph Vance, house-painter, from his wife Kathryn, former telephone operator.

Mrs. Vance demands \$17,000. She admits that she spied on her husband and Mrs. Deutsch from behind a shrubbery near the widow's home.

LL. GEORGE SAID:

"Trotsky Will Never See Revolution Here"

"THERE is only one real statesman in Russia, and that is Trotsky," exclaimed Mr. Lloyd George, then Prime Minister, standing with his back to the fire in his war-time home at Walton Heath.

It was after the Bolsheviks had seized power, and just before Trotsky made peace with the Germans at Brest-Litovsk.

Mr. Lloyd George declared his opinion about Trotsky in a talk with Harold Williams, the man who knew fifty languages and spoke twenty-five languages fluently, when Williams came back from Russia, where he had been a newspaper correspondent for fourteen years.

Ariadna Tyrkova - Williams, Harold Williams's widow, Russian novelist, descendant of a famous Russian soldier about the time of Queen Elizabeth, tells the story in a remarkable biography of her husband.

"REAL STATESMAN"

Harold Williams knew more about Russia than most people, and the late Sir Robert Donald took him to have tea with Mr. Lloyd George at Walton. The Prime Minister thanked Williams for his "brilliant messages" from Russia, describing the revolution, and asked "abrupt questions."

Then he said:—"The Bolsheviks will restore the front: We must come to an agreement with Trotsky. There is only one real statesman in Russia, and that is Trotsky." Lenin at that time did not figure as prominently in the news. He was the power in the background.

"HE IS AN ENEMY" Harold Williams did not like Trotsky. He replied to Mr. Lloyd George:—

The Man Who Cut Hitler's Curl

EXILED BARBER MAKES HISTORY

Herr Hitler has lost his world-famous unruly forehead curl through the action of a German hairdresser, exiled in Athens.

Herr Otto Mueller, who runs a fashionable lady's hairdressing establishment in Athens, says that he was always pained to see Herr Hitler's photographs in the papers with a long lock of unruly hair hanging down over his forehead nearly to his eye.

NOTE TO BARBER

When the cartoonists got to work on it his pain got worse and worse. It gave too much opportunity for making the Chief look ridiculous.

"And so I wrote a respectful letter," he says, "enclosing a sharper note to be handed to his barber."

"The letter explained that the lock hung down because all the hair was of the same length, and that it should be thinned out in various lengths with a razor blade."

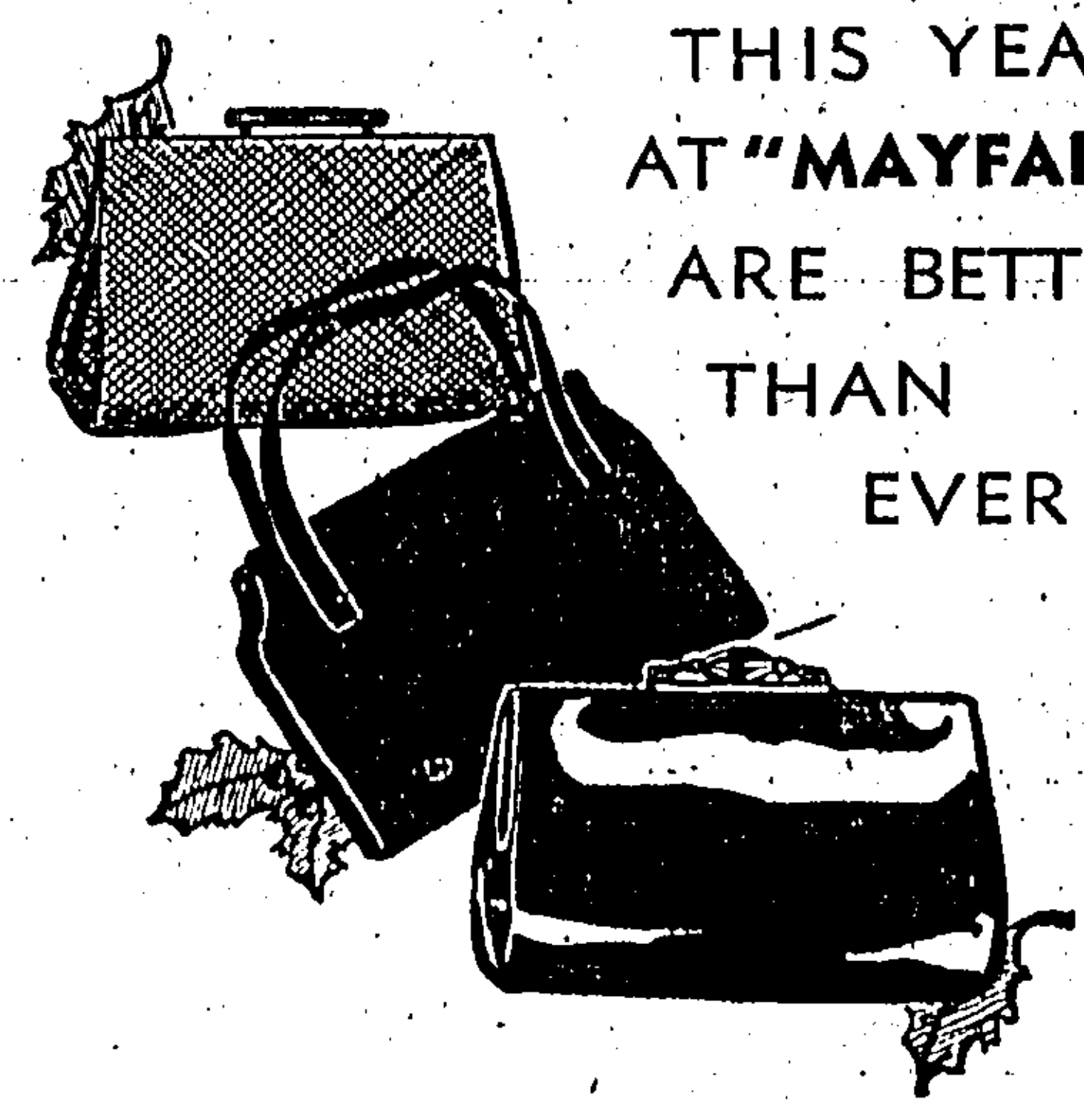
"I shortly got a letter back from Herr Hitler himself stating that the matter I had written about was 'being taken in hand,' and then there came the photographs showing that the lock had been curbed."

"Now I am happy about the German head of State."

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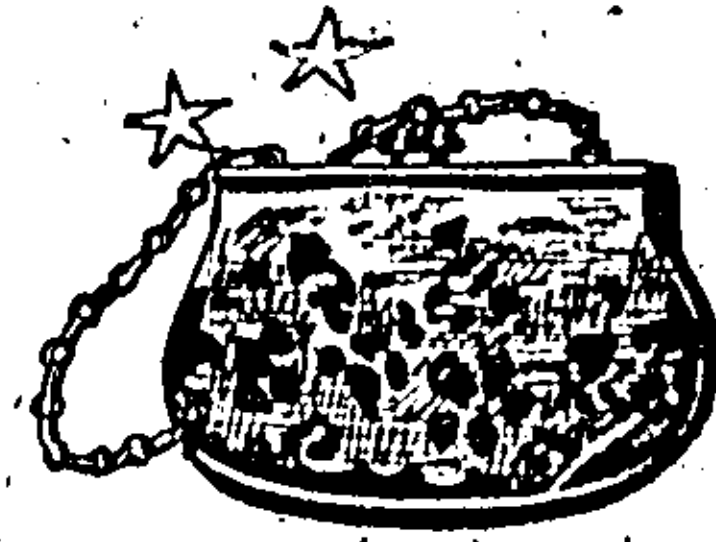
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Shanghai	1.22 1/2	1.23
New York	1.02 1/2	1.03
Amsterdam	7.26 1/2	7.28 1/2
Vienna	2.03 1/2	2.04 1/2
Prague	118 1/2	119 1/2
Bucharest	6.65	6.66
Madrid	35 1/2	36.1/16
Lisbon	20.18	20.28
Hongkong	35	1/3.11/16
Brussels	20.18	20.28
Monte Video	39 1/2	39 1/2
Belgrade	217	217 1/2
Montreal	1.07 1/2	1.07 1/2
Yokohama	1/2.1/32	1/2.1/32
Helsingfors	226 1/2	226 1/2
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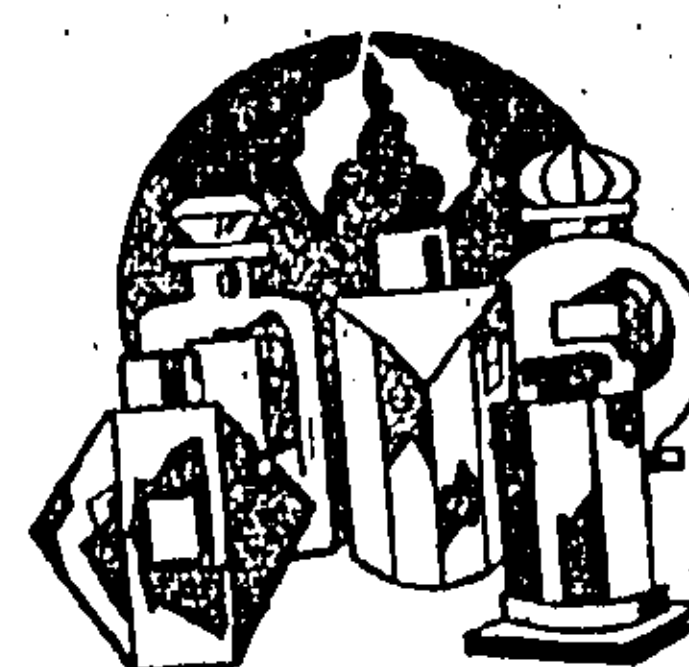
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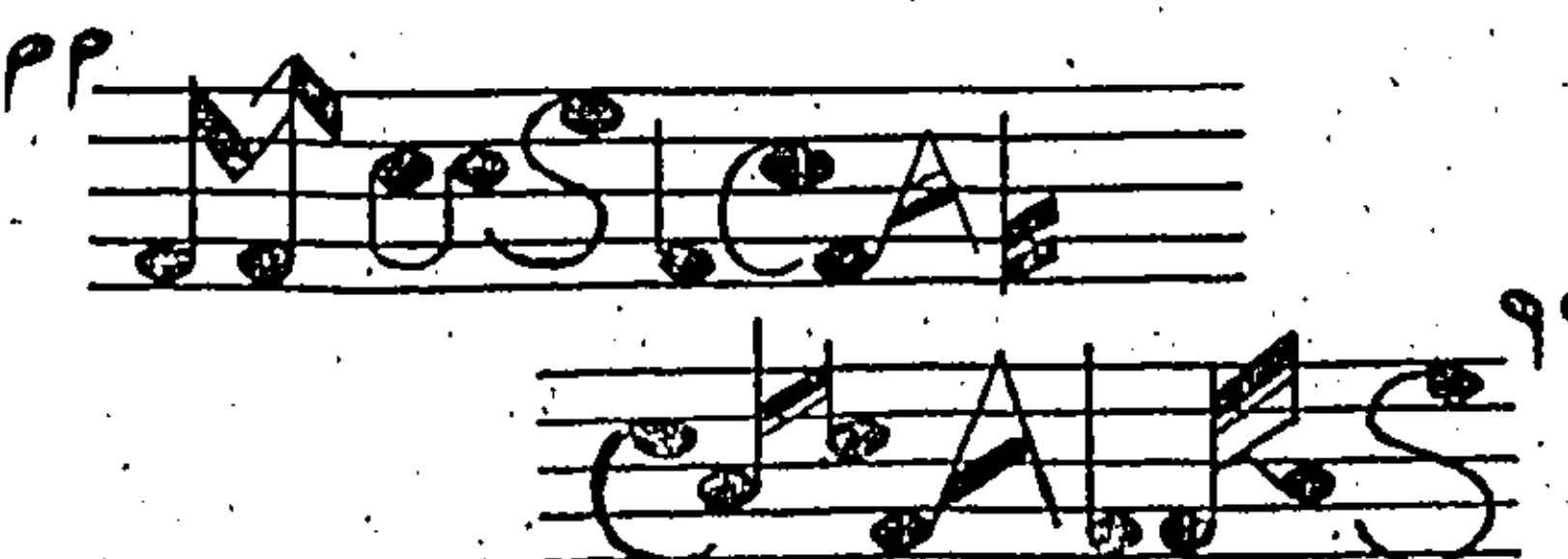
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OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per Friday.	Date and Time
Samahui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Fri., Dec. 20, 4 p.m.
Letters for "Imperial Service"—Due London 6th January.	Hakusan Maru	Fri., Dec. 20.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—Due Amsterdam, 2nd January.		
Letters for "Singapore-Australia Service"—Due Darwin, 31st December.		
K. P. O.	G. P. O.	
Reg. Dec. 20, 4 p.m.	Reg. Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	
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Manila Emp. of Japan	Fri., Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
*Manila Pres. Hoover	Fri., Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
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Amoy and Formosa	Reg. Dec. 20, 4.15 p.m.	
	Letters Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
	Hai Lee	Fri., Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
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		Fri., Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
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- Saturday.			
Straits and Calcutta	Tilawa	Sat., Dec. 21.	
Parcels,	Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	Letters,	Dec. 21, 9 a.m.
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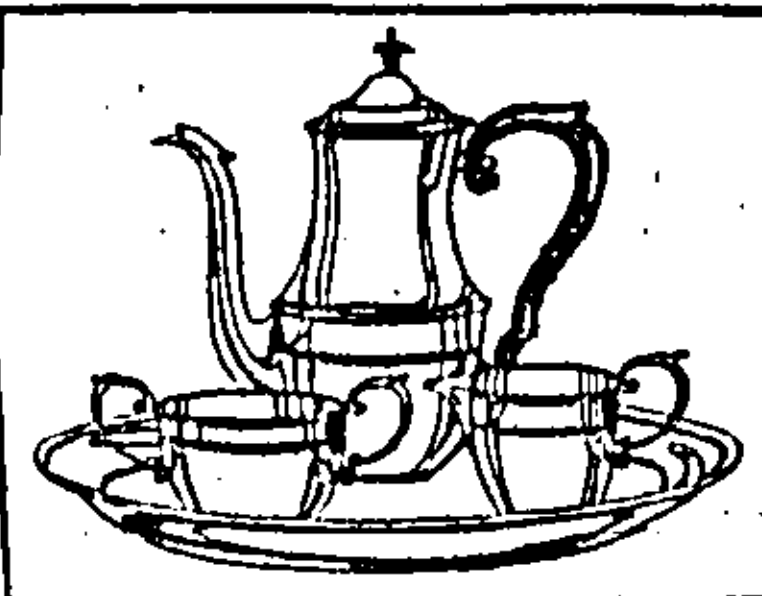
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NOTES OF THE DAY

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downs, is in command of the Special Far Eastern Army. In the Far East Blucher is better known as Galin, or Galenti, a name that he assumed for its authentic Chinese flavour when he was military adviser to Chiang Kai-shek. In 1921 he took an army from Siberia into Outer Mongolia, where he defeated Baron Ungern, and was prominent in the Sino-Soviet conflict in 1927, which followed Borodin's expulsion from China.

COMPULSORY VOTING

After every political election, and sometimes also after municipal elections, a demand is heard that,

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

To-morrow's Picture Features

Many interesting photos will appear in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement, these including the Singapore send-off to H.E. Sir Andrew Caldecott and his arrival in Hongkong.

Christmas parties held at the Helena May Institute and by the Central British and Kowloon Junior Schools will be illustrated, whilst groups will include those taken at the wedding of Mr. Yu Wai-wah and Miss An Un-pik, the christening of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dalziel, and the basketball team of the Yeung Chung Girls' School.

In consequence of the apparent apathy of a section of the public, exercise of the franchise should be made compulsory for all who are on the voters' roll. This has been tried in some countries, but it is a "reform" to which none of the British political parties has so far been attracted. This is perhaps because of fear that it might prove a double-edged weapon. Those who preferred not to record their votes might, if compelled to go to the booths, take the obvious course of voting vengefully against the party

that had been instrumental in making them do so. British theories of liberty suggest that if an elector finds more satisfaction in not recording than in recording his vote, he should be allowed to please himself. That anyone should be so little interested in the affairs of the country as to think it not worth while to poll doubtless represents,

from a civic point of view, a disgraceful state of affairs; but who is to determine whether abstinence springs from apathy, laziness, or a nice weighing of all the political parties in the balance and finding them equally wanting? A vote that is the result of compulsion does not seem likely to have much value as an index to public opinion.

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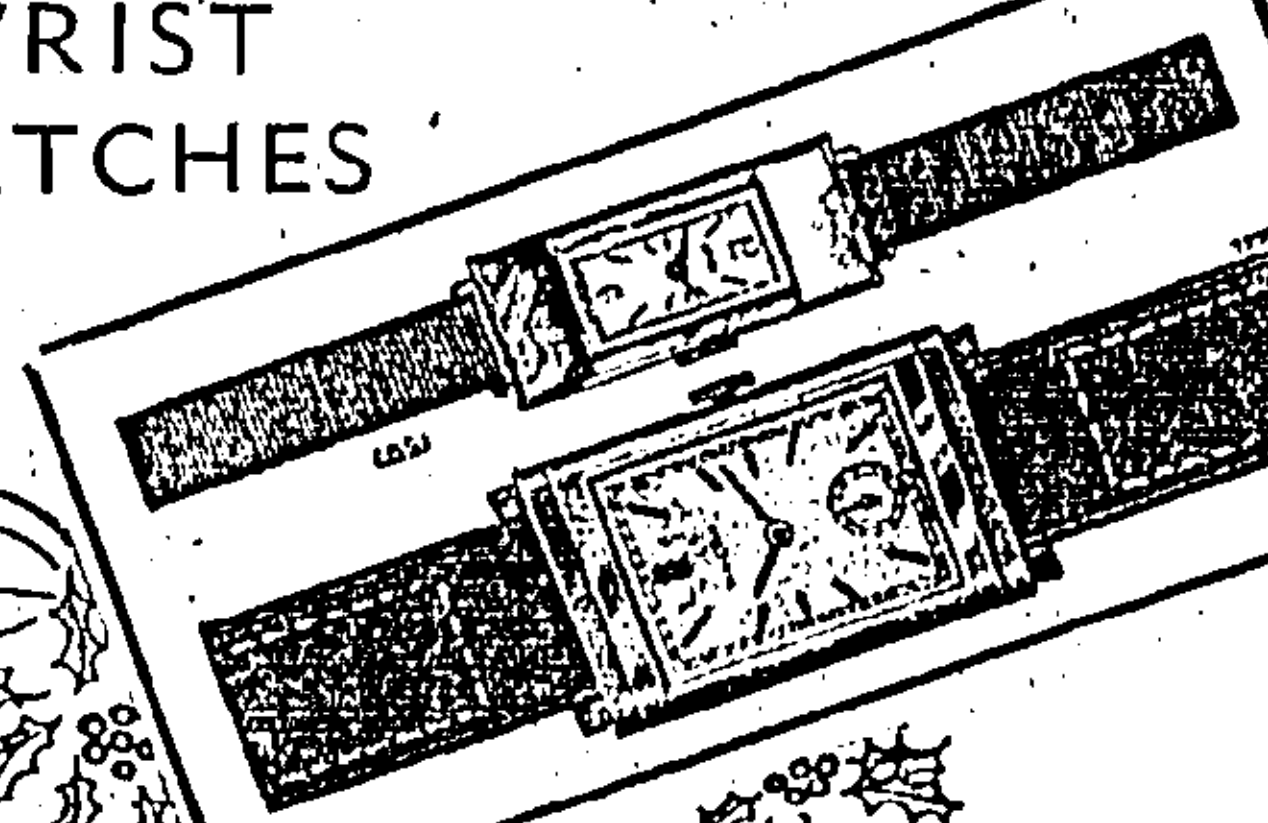
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FRIDAY, DEC. 20, 1935.

A LESSON TO THE GOVERNMENT

It is a regrettable circumstance that, so soon after the return to power of the National Government, a crisis should have arisen resulting in the resignation of Sir Samuel Hoare as Foreign Secretary. Consolation can, however, be found in the fact that the situation in no wise betokens any retreat on the part of the British public from the firm stand taken in support of the League system. Indeed, it is precisely because there was a fear that the Government was weakening in its attitude that some of its supporters saw fit to voice their criticisms of Sir Samuel Hoare's activities in Paris. It is not, however, to be presumed that Sir Samuel was acting on his own initiative in seeking to evolve, in collaboration with M. Laval, plans for securing an end-to-the-Italo-Ethiopian dispute. Nothing is clearer than the fact that the Foreign Secretary was carrying on the conversations with the knowledge of the Government, though he appears to have overstepped the limits. The brunt of the criticism has, unhappily, fallen on him, and it is this circumstance which has had the regrettable result of his handing in his resignation. Sir Samuel has been made the victim of circumstances arising from a mistake in tactics. Defending the British efforts to reach a

*What It
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A LITTLE island, similar in size and shape to the Isle of Wight, dominates the East. Its name is Singapore, and it is known to nearly all Hongkong people.

Singapore—gateway to the Far East, guardian of the wealthiest trade route the world has ever known—is the steel hand in the velvet glove of Britain's diplomacy in the hemisphere it guards.

A seven-year programme, involving about £30,000,000, ends in a few weeks' time. It has converted Singapore from a weakly defended centre of international trade into one of the most powerful naval bases in the world.

This programme was started seven years ago, when a mammoth floating dry dock, 855 feet long and 178 feet wide — big enough to lift a 50,000-ton battleship right out of the water — arrived at Singapore.

More than 60,000 men can stand on its submersible deck, and it took eight months to tow it east from Wall-

Its official name is Dock IX, Dock VIII, which is slightly larger, is at Malta, Britain's naval base in the Mediterranean.



NOTES OF THE DAY

VETERAN COMMANDERS

Lord Jellicoe's recent "death" makes a further reduction in the number of the surviving members of the Great War. Britain's contingent consists of Lord Benty, Lord Allenby, and Sir Ian Hamilton. Of these, Sir Ian Hamilton, who is 82, is the oldest. Lord Allenby is 74. Lord Benty, who was only 43 when the war started, is 64. France has Marshal Petain, Marshal Franchet D'Esperey, General Castelnau and General Gouraud. All the great Russian Army commanders are dead. General Dukhin, who survived, was corps commander in the war. Germany, who has General Ludendorff, supplies the oldest survivor in General Mackensen. He was 86 on December 6. He prides himself that his waist-line has never altered since he ordered his first uniform nearly seventy years ago.

SOVIET MARSHALS

Of the five Red Army officers who have just been made Marshals of the Soviet Union, two, Egorov and Zhukov, took service as officers in the Imperial Army. Zhukov's was in the crack Probrainski Regiment. He is, besides a soldier, an excellent violinist and makes his own violins. In the war he was taken prisoner and it was while he was in a prison camp in Germany that he became a Socialist. On his return to Russia he found the Bolsheviks suspicious and reluctant to avail themselves of his services, until Trotsky insisted that his military efficiency was more important even than pure political descent. Volofsky, Egorov and Blucher were all N.C.O.s in the war. The first, as Commissioner for War, is next to Stalin, the most notable personality in the U.S.S.R.; the second, with his luxuriant moustache and fondness for vodka, still a characteristic Cossack sergeant-major; the last, after a good number of ideological ups and

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of cut-and-dried schemes. No harm has actually been done, as it happens, save that Britain has lost the services of an able Cabinet Minister. There is, in fact, this much to the good—that the Government has been shown unmistakably that public opinion expects it to live up to its promises. The lesson is one which should be taken to heart by the nation's leaders.

The mammoth floating dry dock at Singapore. It took eight tugs three months to tow it from England.

The Malay Peninsula controlled by Britain, just out into the Archipelago, and is a part of it. Its gross international business in a good year is £230,000,000; in a lean year a little less than £130,000,000, & the balance of trade is nearly always in Malaya's favour.

The biggest item on the list is rubber. In 1934 Malaya exported two-thirds of the world's rubber—677,000 tons out of her total exports of 1,017,000 tons.

In the same year Malaya exported 60 per cent. of the world's tin.

In 1924, Colonel Sir Maurice Hankey, the one permanent Cabinet official and one of the most powerful men connected with it, stopped at Singapore on his unofficial world tour.

He returned to London and said, in effect, that a naval base was

In 1984, also, Malaya exported \$5,100,000 worth of petroleum products, although no oil is to be found in Malaya. It came to her from Dutch Borneo, from Sarawak, a British protectorate in Borneo, and from Sumatra.

And it came to Malaya because at the tip of the peninsula there is an island, at whose southern base is the port of Singapore, which, little more than a hundred years ago, was the dream of an Englishman called Raffles.

STAMFORD Raffles was an extraordinary young man. He left school at fourteen and went to work as an extra-clerk at India

work as an extra-clerk at India House. At thirty he was chosen by Lord Minto, Governor-General of India, as his chief civil adviser in his expedition to Java.

And when, on its conquest and annexation in the same year—1811—Minto returned to Calcutta, he left Raffles as Lieutenant-Governor in charge of the island and its 5,000,000 inhabitants.

But, with priceless stupidity, the British Government, under Castlereagh and Canning, traded, sold, and gave away all that we possessed there. They returned their conquests to the Dutch, and when Raffles protested he was snubbed.

More important still, they flooded the Straits Settlements with their goods to such an extent that on May 7, 1834, the British Government decided to fix quotas on all Crown colonies for foreign cotton and rayon textiles.

In 1918 the tide turned in his favour. Lord Hastings, Minto's successor, impressed by Raffles' insistent warnings that the Dutch would rise to pre-eminence over the British in the East, sent Raffles on a mission to the Netherlands in search of a foothold in the area which the Dutch were intent on sealing up.

A few weeks later, worried by the vacillating home Government, Hastings changed his mind and wrote to call him back.

But Raffles had gone off like a bullet from a gun, and before Hastings penned his recall Raffles had planted the Union Jack at Singapore with his own hands.

Singapore grew. Here more than 440,000 people, of whom only 7,600 were Europeans, came to live.

Last year Singapore exported goods valued at \$66,300,000 and imported \$55,000,000 worth—and most of that paid commissions to merchants.

THE need for a strong base in the Middle East was officially recognised at the Imperial Conference in 1921. Australia and New Zealand aggressively informed the conference that the war and the Panama Canal had shifted the world's stage from the Mediterranean and the Atlantic to the Pacific.

But, if Britain could block a hostile fleet at the Malaya Archipelago, the trade route from Port, Australia to Colon and Suez would be kept open. And to attack Port without passing through the Archipelago, a fleet from Japan would have to make a detour of nearly 5,000 miles round the southern tip of New Zealand without a base for refuelling.

STUDENTS
PARADE IN
SHANGHAIPROTEST AGAINST
AUTONOMY MOVENO DANGEROUS
INCIDENTS

Shanghai, Dec. 20. Over 5,000 students of Shanghai universities to-day paraded to the Civic Centre to present a petition for the release of the students arrested during the Peiping parades and the consequent riots.

They demanded, too, the suppression of the Northern Autonomists. Mayor Wu Teh-chien addressed the student body, and sympathetically promised to take up with the Government the matters the students pressed. The students dispersed peacefully and without incident.—United Press.

MARCHERS ARRESTED

Tientsin, Dec. 20. The last of the students who were marching to Nanking have been arrested.

Public Safety Bureau men rounded up the last fifty, herded them aboard motor trucks and brought them back to Tientsin at 8 a.m. to-day.—United Press.

JAPAN CONCERNED

Shanghai, Dec. 20. The spokesman for the Japanese Embassy here issued a statement to-day to the effect that Japan was concerned with the possibility of a transformation of the student demonstrations into purely anti-Japanese movements.

However, the authorities are not planning any action "unless the activity assumes a character endangering the lives and property of Japanese nationals."—United Press.

OFFICERS CONFER

Peiping, Dec. 20. It is learned that Japanese officials will shortly discuss at Changchung the Northern situation and that General J. Minami, commander of the Kwantung Army, will take part in the parleys.

Meanwhile, the Chinese authorities are negotiating over the East China Sea with other Japanese officers.—Reuter.

STUDENTS RELEASED

Peiping, Dec. 20. Fourteen of the students arrested following the riots have now been released. It is believed no others are held.—United Press.

HANKOW TROUBLE

Hankow, Dec. 20. Middle schools of Wuchow and Hankow were closed to-day while uniformed students staged a monster parade through the streets of these cities, with banners bearing anti-autonomy slogans. The demonstrations were very orderly.—Reuter.

JAPANESE DEMAND

Peiping, Dec. 20. Very reliable Chinese sources state that Major Tan Takahashi, the Japanese military attaché here, has demanded the closure of all schools participating in the anti-Japanese parades and the deportation of the school authorities from the city.—United Press.

INTOLERABLE SITUATION

Nanking, Dec. 20. Eleven newspapers, including the Central Daily News, published a common editorial to-day supporting the student demonstrations in Peiping, Shanghai and Nanking. They declared that the so-called autonomy movement in the North is obviously an intrigue aiming at the destruction of China's integrity.

The northern situation is beyond the limit of endurance of warm-blooded citizens and the students have taken a glorious leadership in fighting against subjugation, the papers assert.—United Press.

READY TO BACK OIL
SANCTIONS

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tion of oil sanctions, and if the Government were satisfied that all member nations, or in any event those who mattered, were prepared to participate in meeting an attack which might be sudden and unexpected, then Britain, too, was prepared to play her part and would agree to the imposition of oil sanctions.

He concluded that the attitude of the Government to the League had not changed in any way, but that they must seize every opportunity to negotiate an acceptable peace. But failing that, they must stand as before for collective security by collective action.

"It must be realised that the ultimate sanction behind the League must always be force, and unless the members of the League are prepared to equip themselves so as to be able to meet any threat by an aggressor and are prepared to take that equipment if necessary, they cannot expect complete success," he concluded.—Reuter.

RIFF IN THE LUTE?

Tokyo, Dec. 20. Mr. R. A. May, managing director of the Japan General Motors Corporation, has called for America to assume another post in New York, causing Japanese to surmise that considerable delay in the proposed merger of Japan General Motors and the Japanese Nissan Automobile Company is unavoidable.—United Press.

SILVER TENSION
RELAXES

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ounces daily in India and also the entire daily output of the Mexican silver mines. The market is jammed with 40,000,000 ounces.

The recent absence of the customary two months' forward quotations prevents answering cables from the Orient offering to sell silver.—United Press.

PRICE DECLINES

New York, Dec. 19. Messrs. Handy and Harmon's silver quotation was 53 1/2 cents per ounce here to-day, which is a decline of two cents from yesterday's price.

London "spot" silver was quoted at 22 1/2 pence per ounce, which is a decline of 15/16 pence from yesterday.—United Press.

BOMBAY MARKET

Bombay, Dec. 19. The silver market here collapsed to-day. There were no buyers of either spot or futures although there were many offerings below fifty American cents per ounce.

It is feared that it will be extremely difficult to make settlements at the pegged price of 68 1/4 cents per ounce on the Bombay bazaar.—United Press.

DIFFERENT VIEWS

New York, Dec. 19. While Mr. Henry Morgenthau's remarks about the purchases of silver in Mexico have led some quarters to conclude that the Treasury is confining its purchases to producing countries, the belief is not generally shared in interested circles, where the fact is pointed out that the Treasury to-day has been buying in New York and London as well as spot silver offerings in Montreal. This is indicative that buying in the world markets will continue, though on a smaller scale.

Mr. Morgenthau himself evaded an answer when asked whether purchases would be confined to producing countries.—Reuter.

THOMAS' MESSAGE

Washington, Dec. 19. Senator Thomas has sent a lengthy telegram to Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Senator Pittman, and other Silverites, charging a concentrated drive by foreign domestic reactionaries to bring a view to driving down the silver price and discredit and terminate the U.S. silver programme.

He proposes a senatorial silver conference as soon as Congress has convened.—Reuter.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

EVERY SYSTEM IS A MISTAKE, AND EVERY THEORY A PRISON.—MURKIN.

The Empress of Japan will leave here for Manila at 11 p.m. to-day, instead of 7 p.m. as previously advised.

Passengers who arrived by the Empress of Japan to-day included Mr. J. Angwin, Mr. E. S. Carter, Capt. and Mrs. A. J. Holland, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. P. M. Hodgson, and Mr. R. A. D. Forrest.

Banished on May 13 this year for a period of ten years, Ho Ngan, aged 35, returned to the Colony, and was charged with the offence before Mr. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning. Detective Sergeant Fitch was the prosecutor. Defendant was remanded until Monday.

Appearing on remand before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of stealing \$120 from Wong Po, 30, Annam, 15 Hill Street, defendant, Mr. J. A. J. Holland, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. P. M. Hodgson, and Mr. R. A. D. Forrest.

On a charge of being found in the new Wai Wo Market, Bonham Strand West, for an unlawful purpose, Chan Kwun, 27, was bound over when he appeared on remand before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning. The defendant was found at 8.30 p.m. and the market's closing time was 8 p.m. Defendant admitted a previous conviction for assault. Detective Sergeant C. Byron prosecuted.

Wong Yim-man, 29, unemployed, pleaded guilty before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to the possession of 17 tins of prepared opium at No. 111 Tai Nam Street, first floor, on December 12, keeping an opium den, and possession of 242 heroin pills, and was fined \$130, or, in default six weeks' hard labour, \$250 or two months, and \$125 or six weeks respectively. Detective Sergeant Goodwin prosecuted and stated that the defendant was a large one and occupied the whole floor. There were 32 people present at the time of the raid. The opium, heroin pills, and other paraphernalia were confiscated.

Chan Yau, 20, stoker, appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with retaining from his master a large sum of money. Defendant admitted having been banished for a period of ten years on June 20, 1934. He stated that he was employed by the Chinese Maritime Customs at Amoy and the ship on which he was working had occasion to put into Hongkong for repairs. Inspector Shannon stated that was correct, and the ship was at present at Bailey's shipyard, where it would be for about a fortnight. Defendant was remanded to Tuesday next and the prosecution was instructed to communicate with the head office of the Chinese Maritime Customs in Hongkong.

PROGRESS
AT NAVAL
CONFERENCEMR. NORMAN DAVIS
OPTIMISTICFACE COMPLEX
PROBLEMS

London, Dec. 19. A hopeful view of the Naval Conference prospects was taken by Mr. Norman Davis, American delegate, in the course of a speech at the Pilgrims Society dinner in London this evening.

Mr. Davis said, "During the first period of our deliberations, we had all come to appreciate the practical determination and the value of sincere collaboration that had been evident in our negotiations. While not under-estimating the complexity of the problem we are attempting to solve," said Mr. Davis, "we have been facing the fundamental issues in a friendly and frank way. Despite difficulties, and despite the fact that we have not yet found a solution of the question at issue, progress has been made; so when we reassemble in the New Year we are most hopeful that we may be able to reach a fair and constructive agreement."—Reuter.

The Naval Conference has agreed to go into recess on Saturday and to re-convene on January 6.—United Press.

LOCAL DOLLAR
DECLINESLIFELESS MARKET
ON OPENING

The Hongkong dollar declined 1/16th this morning to 3s. 3 1/2d., which was the Bank's official rate on opening. The business rate was about 1s. 3 1/2d., but there was little doing, the market being lifeless.

The Manila Observatory, reporting at 8.30 a.m. to-day states that the typhoon is situated in about 139 Long, 15 Lat., moving N.W.

Four cases of Diphtheria, and one case each of Typhoid and Meningitis, were reported to the local Health authorities on Wednesday.

Mr. John R. Morris, Far Eastern Manager of the United Press Association of America, arrived in Hongkong to-day by the President Hoover.

Ip Kong, fisherman of boat No. 1802, has reported to the police that while fishing off Wanchai two fukien were blown overboard. One was rescued and the other is feared to have been drowned.

A returned banished, Luk To, 24, was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court this morning for returning. He was held on March 2 this year for five years. Sub-Inspector L. Mist had charge of the case.

A fine of \$5 was imposed upon S. Manson, of the Ngai Young Motor Services, Nathan Road, by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for leaving private car No. T337 unattended at Canton Road near Shantung Street at 9.15 a.m. on December 1. Allah Din, Indian constable B 595, appeared as complainant and stated that the car was left unattended for about one hour.

Tsang Sang, alias Tsang Fong-sung, 28, unemployed, appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with having possession or control of a revolver without a licence yesterday, and for committing a breach of a Deportation order by which he had been banished for a period of two years on August 28, 1934. Detective-Sub-Inspector Cunningham appeared for the prosecution. Defendant was remanded until Monday.

The three men and two women, who are charged with the possession of heroin pills and dangerous drugs on the second floor of No. 16, Caroline Road, and No. 84, Percival Street, again appeared before Mr. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Mr. J. B. Prentiss, on behalf of the Crown, asked his Worship to fix a date for hearing. Accordingly, the afternoon of December 23, 30 and 31 was fixed, hearing to commence at 2.30 p.m. Two men and two women are represented by Mr. S. N. Quinn and the other man by Mr. F. H. Loebe. Bail of \$2,500, as before, was allowed.

Lau Lin, aged 28, unemployed, pleaded guilty before Mr. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning, to a charge of stealing an electric door bell, valued at \$3, from No. 192, Wanchai Road, third floor, and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour. Detective Sergeant Fitch was the prosecutor. Defendant admitted that he was carrying a sack. When the sack was opened, the electric bell was found inside. Defendant admitted he had stolen the bell from the address, which was a vacant flat, and subsequently the owner of the house, Li King, was found. Sergeant Fitch added that people of defendant's type were continually going up to people's houses. They stole everything they could get, even wireless poles.

BALDWIN POLICY
VINDICATED

(Continued from Page 1.)

giving away half the Ethiopian empire in exchange for a corridor, for camels. To give immense concessions to a wrongdoer at the expense of the victim, was not British justice, he maintained.

Even if there was imminent danger of war, it did not justify the Government's decision. The Government should have said that the League had failed and withdrawn its sanctions, instead of suggesting that the aggressor should be rewarded with more than he had managed to conquer. That was completely betraying the Ethiopian people.

PRINCE OF WALES LISTENS

Above, the galleries were crowded, and there was an eager straining of ears there and on the floor of the House, when Mr. Stanley Baldwin, a little pale a little grim, rose to reply. The Prince of Wales was among the spectators of this eventful debate. Mr. Baldwin spoke with emotion. First he paid a tribute to Sir Samuel Hoare. He added that on this occasion he was still convinced that what he was doing was within the framework of the League. "He has done something for which he has been condemned, and his services are lost," said the Prime Minister. The loss of his services at the present time was not only grave to the Government, but one they felt most keenly on the grounds of personal regard and affection.

AGREEMENT A SURPRISE

Mr. Baldwin said that when Sir Samuel went to Paris to consult with M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, there has been an absence of liaison during Sunday, and they were unaware until they heard it was accomplished that an agreement had been reached.

He had received a letter from Sir Samuel on Monday morning urging the Cabinet to endorse what had been done and before the Cabinet had had time to study the document, a leakage had occurred. They had to consider whether to endorse the action in a slogan or to repudiate him. None of them liked the proposals, which they thought went too far.

But Mr. Baldwin added that the chief responsibility was his, and he decided that he must immediately support a colleague who was absent from London.

PROPOSALS DEAD

Mr. Baldwin said he was not surprised at the expression of opinion that the peace proposals went too far, but he had not expected the deeper feeling that had emerged among many Conservatives and in fact in the House of Commons. He was not surprised at the feeling that the proposals were not supported by the necessary volume of popular opinion. While the Government could not repudiate him, none of them liked the proposals, which they thought went too far.

Mr. Baldwin emphasised that the British Government stood where it had always stood, with its policy based upon the League.

COLLECTIVE SECURITY

He reiterated his adherence to collective security and said he dreaded the reaction of the country if Britain had to participate in a unilateral war. Men would say that, if by adherence to the League, we find ourselves standing alone to do what ought to be done by everybody, then it should be the last time they would allow the Government to commit itself to collective security, because next time the war might be nearer home than the Mediterranean.

With regard to the efficacy of sanctions, Mr. Baldwin said that probably with a world League of Nations, all acting at once, they would be completely effective. But they had not got that to-day. Therefore if the League at any time in imposing sanctions gets to any point where the aggressor nation would feel he would rather fight the League than endure them, the League has to be sure all those who have the power to help render that help immediately.

TERRIBLE DANGER

Mr. Baldwin said that in the ultimate analysis the League itself was an immensely superior force, but it was little good unless it could be employed immediately. If it could not, there was the awful danger of the slow dragging-in of one country after another, and a war whose end nobody could foresee.

"The free nations of Europe to-day have much to think about, if they hope to maintain their security, and for the small nations who look to the League, the measure of their support is their preparedness."

"We have passed from platitudes to an area of stark realities," he concluded. It was amidst the loud cheers of the House that he appealed for the confidence of the members.

It was not until after Mr. Hugh Dalton, who wound up for Labour, and Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who replied for the Conservatives, that the made memorandum was taken. The Labour measure motion was defeated 397 to 105, and Lord Winterton's amendment, defending the Government's policy was carried 399 to 105.—Reuter.

(The addresses of Mr. Dalton and Mr. Chamberlain will be found in another column.)

Charged before Comdr. J. B. Newill, the Deputy Harbour Master, at the Marine Court this morning, Chan Kam, aged 17 years, an unlicensed hawk, was fined \$6 for having boarded the steamer Tilawa, lying at buoy A3, without the permission of the master of the steamer or the officer-in-charge yesterday.

RADIO
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Doreen Ma

IMPRESSIONS OF COLONY

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 Metres (845 k.c.s.): 2.15 p.m. Close Down. 4.17 p.m. Chinese Programme. 7.33 p.m. "Quartet in A Minor (Schubert, Op.29)." 7.33-7.50 p.m. Debroy Somers Band.

Shipmates O'Mine—Descriptive Ballad; Dixieland—Selection. 7.50-8 p.m. From the Studio. "Book Reviews" by Sabrina.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations. 8.05-8.10 p.m. "I Love you, so" from "The Merry Widow" (Lehar) sung by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

8.10-8.30 p.m. From the Studio. "An Australian Visitor's Impressions of Hongkong" by Norman Banks. 8.30-9 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall. 9-9.20 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.20-9.40 p.m. From the Studio. A Jazz Piano Recital by Doreen Ma. 9.40-10 p.m. Vocal Variety.

Song—Rehearsing a Lullaby, Les Allen (Baritone); Vocal—When that Harvest Moon is Shining, The Hill Billies; Rock and Roll ("Transatlantic Merry-go-round"), The Boswell Sisters; Wakes ("Cock O' the North"), Leslie Hutchinson; What is this thing? ("Temptation"), Frances Day (Soprano); Nagasaki, The Mills Brothers. 10 p.m. Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletins. 10.10-11 p.m. Dance Music. 11 p.m. Close Down.

CORRESPONDENCE

Poverty Problem
Suggestion

(To The Editor.
Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir,—With reference to your editorial in yesterday's Telegraph regarding the poor of Hongkong, may I offer a suggestion. As things are it is left to a few to contribute to help the poor; how would it be to make it compulsory for everybody renting a flat or house over a certain sum, say \$80 per month, to pay say 20 cents or so each month (the more the rent the more the contribution)? This would not cost the Government anything to collect as the landlords could pay it in with the rates and taxes.

Those living in houses rent free such as employees of firms, officers and Engineers (Europeans) on coastal ships (Hongkong terminal ships), and in boarding houses, etc., could all be included, irrespective of nationality. The Government to build the necessary houses or houses in the first instance and then take the cost out of the contributions; for example, say 40,000 houses and flats at an average of 40 cents each per month—\$16,000 per month.

Many would "squeal" at first, but all in employment at home have to pay into an unemployment fund to help them out of work. Naturally this would attract many poor and needy from Canton, Macao, etc., but with a little tightening of rules and regulations this could be avoided. The money to be under Government control and a statement of accounts published yearly for the benefit of the public.

JAMES H. HOARE.

CHINESE EDITOR
SUCCUMBSASSASSIN'S ATTACK
ENDS FATALLY

Mr. Lai Kung-chi, editor of the Kung Sheng Man Po, who was shot twice in the back by an assassin who escaped in Lee Yuen Street East at 1.10 p.m. on December 19, died in the Government Civil Hospital at 5 o'clock this morning.

It will be recalled that Mr. Lai was walking alone in Lee Yuen Street East at the time having come from the Kung Sheng Yat Po office in Des Voeux Road Central. The assassin, who had the appearance of a coolie, has not been traced as yet.

The late Mr. Lai Kung-chi was 44 years of age and lived at 71, Pokfulam Road, second floor. He is survived by a widow and one son.

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CRICKET NOTES

BY R. ABBIT

ALL-IMPORTANT MATCH OF THE SEASON

CHAMPIONS PLAY I.R.C.

ODDS SLIGHTLY IN FAVOUR OF VISITORS

To-morrow will be played what I regard as the key match of the Senior League so far as can be foreseen at present. The H.K.C.C. go down to Sookunpoo to play the Indians and it should be a most interesting match.

Were the match at the Hongkong Cricket Club ground, I should expect the Club to have a shade the better of the game, as I have noticed that some of the I.R.C. do not give of their best on that ground. I do not of course refer to Pereira, Madar, or Minu but to some of the younger—or perhaps I should say less experienced—players.

I do hope and trust this will not be construed to mean that I am belittling or depreciating some of the Indian players. Nearly all cricketers have grounds they like and grounds they don't like and possibly quite wrongly I have formed the opinion that I have stated above.

On the other hand, I don't think the Club players particularly like the I.R.C. ground, and I fancy there is very little in it between the two sides. One thing is absolutely certain and that is that the Club will have to turn out their strongest side to win. If Hayward, the two Parsons, Dunkley, Redmond, Duckitt, H. Owen Hughes and Price all turn out, there is the making of a very strong team.

Owen Hughes of course had only just returned, looking very fit, I was glad to see. He tells me he has no practice since August, but that he is going to affect his slip fielding and quite often a first knock comes off better than the second or third.

Of course the enormous probability is that the game will end in a draw, but anyway it will be worth watching and all being well I hope to see it, and give a fairly detailed account of it on Tuesday next.

ERROR IN CARDS

The other League game in the Senior Division is between Craighover and the Navy. The C.C.C. card says that their first eleven are playing at King's Park and their second at home. The Navy Card has it the other way about, but I have no doubt they will settle it somehow. But it goes to show that all was not well with the fixing up of matches this year. Anyway, wherever the game is played it should be a very good one especially as Branwell has shown a return of form. Quarr and Tinker Lee will, I think, be more formidable if the game is played on the Craighover ground.

NON-LEAGUE GAME

The Army are launching out and fielding a second eleven to-morrow when their first team takes on the K.C.C. at Kowloon in a non-League game while the second eleven are at home at Sookunpoo to the K.C.C. second, who may win, though it depends very largely what sort of a second team the Army will put out.

As for the first eleven, I rather fancy a draw will be the result. It is a sad thought that I cannot be on the K.C.C. ground and the Sookunpoo ground at the same time.

So far as I know, the University have no game for the Civil Service. I am told the latter Club has printed a card but the distribution seems completely to have broken down.

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE

The Club are at home to the Police, and it's rather difficult to gauge this match as one never quite knows how strong a second eleven the Police are going to turn out. The Police too are rather in and out especially as regards their batting. I rather fancy the Club's chances. I have already mentioned the only two other games of which I have information.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN TESTS

It is one of the curious facts of cricket history that, though it is they who may do England well, the South Africans always crumple up against the Australians. From 1904 onwards teams that have done excellently against the Mother Country have visited Australia a few months later full of hope, and have failed miserably. This year after their great triumph in England the "A" is the same and glory to tell, Australia have beaten three "State" teams badly and now in the first Test have defeated South Africa by nine wickets. The home side admittedly did not do so badly when they were 248 and 282 but the Australian batting mastered their bowling completely, and then put up 420 and 102 for one wicket.

As a matter of fact it is perhaps not so strange in this case as it must be remembered that the English last had been away from their job all last summer and getting off for cricket would have to be delayed for a bit. Then too, poor Cameron died, and his understudy R. J. Williams remained

THE MAMAK LEAGUE

POINTS FOR 12TH BATTERY

A BIG WEEK-END PROGRAMME

Second division Mamak League points were secured by 12th Battery, R.A. yesterday when at Sookunpoo they beat Departmental by three clear goals.

Macey gave the Gunners a goal lead at the interval and this was subsequently consolidated by Aldridge and Taylor.

There is a full programme of Mamak League games during the week-end. To-morrow the Mule Corps and Nomads meet in a second division encounter on the Police Training School ground at 4 p.m.

On Sunday, one first division and two second division games are scheduled. The senior match is between the Argonauts and Royal Engineers on the Y.M.C.A. ground, King's Park at 11 a.m.

Departmental and C.B.A. meet in a second division match on the C.B.A. ground at 10.50 and in the afternoon at 3 p.m. on the Radio Sports Club pitch at Caroline Hill, Nomads play the Royal Engineers "B".

To-night's Badminton Programme

Chief interest in this evening's mixed doubles league badminton programme is invested in the match between Recreo "B" and the Chinese Recreation Club. The teams according to records, are well matched, and the Recreo may have to depend on court advantage to give them the verdict.

Left-handed S. P. Chan and Mrs. F. T. Lo, former Tientsin champion, will probably win all three games if they continue their form shown to date. Mrs. Lo is exceedingly strong in the forecourt and Chan's covering work is first class. Recreo have a slight pull over the remaining two pairs and it is this which will probably ensure them points. But they will have to be on their best behaviour to win.

Recreo seniors journey to Kowloon tonight and must win, but St. Andrew's may experience difficulty in getting away with the points at Taitoo. The Taitoo ladies are slightly better than those of the Saints and with Stainton and Charlie Summers showing very good form at the present it is more than possible that Taitoo will at least hold their visitors to the old game.

The Fire Brigade can expect a fairly comfortable win at Sallows and Soldiers' Home, and no positional changes in the league table are likely as a result of to-night's games. This is the last mixed doubles programme before the New Year, the next batch of matches being scheduled for January 3.

To-night's programme is: Taitoo v. St. Andrew's; Recreo "B" v. C.R.C.; Kowloon Tong v. Recreo "A"; S. and St. Home v. Fire Brigade.

behind in England. Two bowlers A. J. Bell and C. L. Vincent are among those unable to get away to play. So the possible team is weaker than it might be. Still—we shall see what happens later.

I must apologize for these notes being somewhat brief but, to speak in confidence, I have got mixed up with a nasty old fellow called Wilhelm Schindler and he takes up a lot of my time looking after him. We shall hope to do better next week with an article on the Diocesan Boys School Cricket as an extra on Wednesday.



Left: Trentbridge, which had an unlucky season, and Festival Eve, which performed with credit.

Over The Sticks Once Again

KWANTI CHRISTMAS MEETING

(By "CAPTAIN FOSTER")

The Christmas Meeting under the auspices of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club will be held at Kwanti Course, Fanling, on Sunday and the first race will be run at 2.15 p.m.

A special train will leave Kowloon at 1.05 p.m., and return from Fanling at 6.00 p.m.

The railway fare is \$2 including admission to the course, and the cost of ticket to the Public Stand is \$1. Very good entries have been received and owing to the large number for the December Country Cup, this race has been divided into two sections. There are six races on the card and a good day's sport is assured.

The opening event, the Canberra Handicap, is a Steeplechase over 1½ miles for Australian Ponies and has attracted seven entries. A good race should be seen and Belinda has certainly a pull in weight. In the Sun Kum Shan Handicap over two miles run on February 10, Plumery won the race by a head with a following of 10 lbs. from Belinda and on Sunday is set to give 5 lbs. to the latter pony. I am aware that they met again in the Australian Grand National when Belinda got another hiding by many lengths, but I am of the opinion that Belinda could reproduce her form when she was second to Plumery, who should pass the post first. It will be recalled that at the meeting held on January 20, Belinda won the Canberra Steeplechase by many lengths and Plumery was among the "Also Rans". Empire Day and The Giraffe have never been over the fence and I am afraid to express an opinion on their maiden jump. However The Giraffe is a speedy merchant at the Valley and I prefer him. Lucy Glickers nicely in with only 147 lbs. to shoulder and is dangerous.

FOLLOW VALLEY FORM

In the St. John Cup which is a hurdle race over 1¼ miles, I would strongly advise punters to follow the form of the Valley ponies and they are in order of the ranking list, Daylight Eve (C Class) and both Tillcum and Wembley Stag are in the "D" Class. I fancy they will pass the Post in that order. The old warrior, Tom Cobley is in the race but, without prejudice, it is about time for him to take in salt.

Pride of Tsingtau, whose last win at Kwanti was the Fanling Grand National on March 10, has no opposition in the Tai Po Handicap and Burgomaster and Spinaway should fill the second and third places.

LADIES RACE

The Ladies Hurdle race which is a handicap event over 1¼ miles is very open and will be the best of the day. I sincerely hope that I am not out of my course when I say that the absence of Miss Pamela Scott Hars-

ton and Miss Louis Pearson—both of whom are now in England—will be much felt on Sunday and race goers will admit that there had never been a ladies' race without the presence of the two ladies taking part.

However the adjustment of weight has left no loophole and the Official Handicapper has set a problem in spelling the winner. West Parade has been asked to shoulder top-weight 143 lbs. and it seems that she has the best chance. Miss B. Fair will take out Diogenes and she should be in the line-up. William Oiler has only 142 lbs. to carry and is dangerous. I presume that the St. John Ambulance Brigade will be in attendance not on account of this event but for emergency cases.

The December Country Cup "A" Division, over a country course of approximately three miles will certainly attract a good field. I fancy Burgomaster if he does not weigh out in the Tai Po Handicap with Punch and Winchester Stag in the rear. In the "B" Division, the order of the finish should be Ike, Canary

SELECTIONS FOR FANLING RACES

ST. JOHN'S CUP

The following are my selections for Sunday's Christmas Meeting of the Fanling Hunt Club to be held at Kwanti.

THE CANBERRA HANDICAP

Belinda
Plumery
The Giraffe

THE ST. JOHN'S CUP

Daylight Eve
Tillcum
Wembley Stag

THE TAIPO HANDICAP

Pride of Tsingtau
Burgomaster
Spinaway

THE LADIES' HURDLES

West Parade
Diogenes
William Oiler

THE DECEMBER COUNTRY CUP A

Burgomaster
Punch
Winchester Stag

THE DECEMBER COUNTRY CUP B

Ike
Canary
The Loafer

Winners Of Seasons' Cups And Plates

The following is a list of winners of Cups and Plates during the year:—

Garrison Cup	won by Iron Grey	(Mr. Needa)
Chater Cup	King's Bounty	(Mr. Marshall)
Royal Navy Cup	Iliate	(Mr. Needa)
American Club Cup	Rose Queen	(Mr. Needa)
Governor's Cup	Gold Plover	(Mr. Needa)
Ladies Purse	Soldier of Britain	(Mr. Sun)
Jockey Cup	Soldier of Germany	(Mr. F. Li)
Lusitano Cup	Herod	(Mr. Davis)
St. George's Plate	Rose Queen	(Mr. P. Botelho)
St. Andrew's Cup	Ribble	(Mr. P. Botelho)

Jockey Allowance Success

NOVICE'S GOOD FORM

Liberty Bay Keeps His Record

The Hongkong Jockey Club closed their Season last Saturday and it must be admitted that in view of the depression, they have had a most successful racing year. There were actually—including the Annual Meeting—21 days of racing and 196 events were keenly contested. Mr. Clerk of the Weather was not too kind on two or three occasions, but the rest of the Meetings was held under ideal atmospheric conditions and the attendance improved towards the end of the season.

Racing on the whole, especially after the recess, was of very high standard with plenty of thrills and full of exciting

finishes and racing enthusiasts got their money's worth.

The statistics which I have compiled for the year under review reveal some interesting figures such as the amount of stakes won by owners, complete list of winning jockeys, the best pari-mutuel returns, course records established during the season and etc.

The introduction of jockey allowance was responsible for some really good dividends being paid out in the second half and the Stewards can be congratulated on adopting this. There is no denying that hereafter the 5 lb. jockey allowance in the handicaps events will be fully taken advantage of, and novices will undoubtedly have better mounts. There is an old saying "Good ponies make good jockeys." Mr. M. T. Johnson, who presided at the half-yearly General Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club on November 22, said that the object of the allowance was to encourage novice jockeys and give them more opportunity to ride in the open handicaps races. It can be said, without any fear of contradiction, that novices (thanks to the tuition of Mr. Leo Frost during the summer months) have improved immensely and I am confident that owners will, in the future, experience very little difficulty in securing jockeys.

THE CHAMPION JOCKEY

Congratulations are due to Mr. Leo Frost for the list of jockeys (Continued on Page 9.)



Able Amazon which topped the winning stakes list for Australian ponies during the racing season under review.

WINNERS OF STAKES

THE AUSTRALIAN LIST

ABLE AMAZON TOP

The Australian list is made up as follows:—

GRIFFINS	
Cold Morning	\$ 2,921
Derby Day	1,450
Goldsmith	1,250
Gold That	2,049
Mount Platina	1,450
Rose Ann	1,850
Shooting Star	1,650
Snowy River	1,750
Southern Cross	1,200
Vixen Tor	1,650
Total	\$17,320

OLD PONIES

Able Amazon	\$ 5,200
Alacrity	1,400
Australian Boy	1,250
Bag Tor	2,450
Robnak Star	1,550
Night Star	1,750
Itching Heart	1,950
Saucy Face	1,200
Total	\$16,750

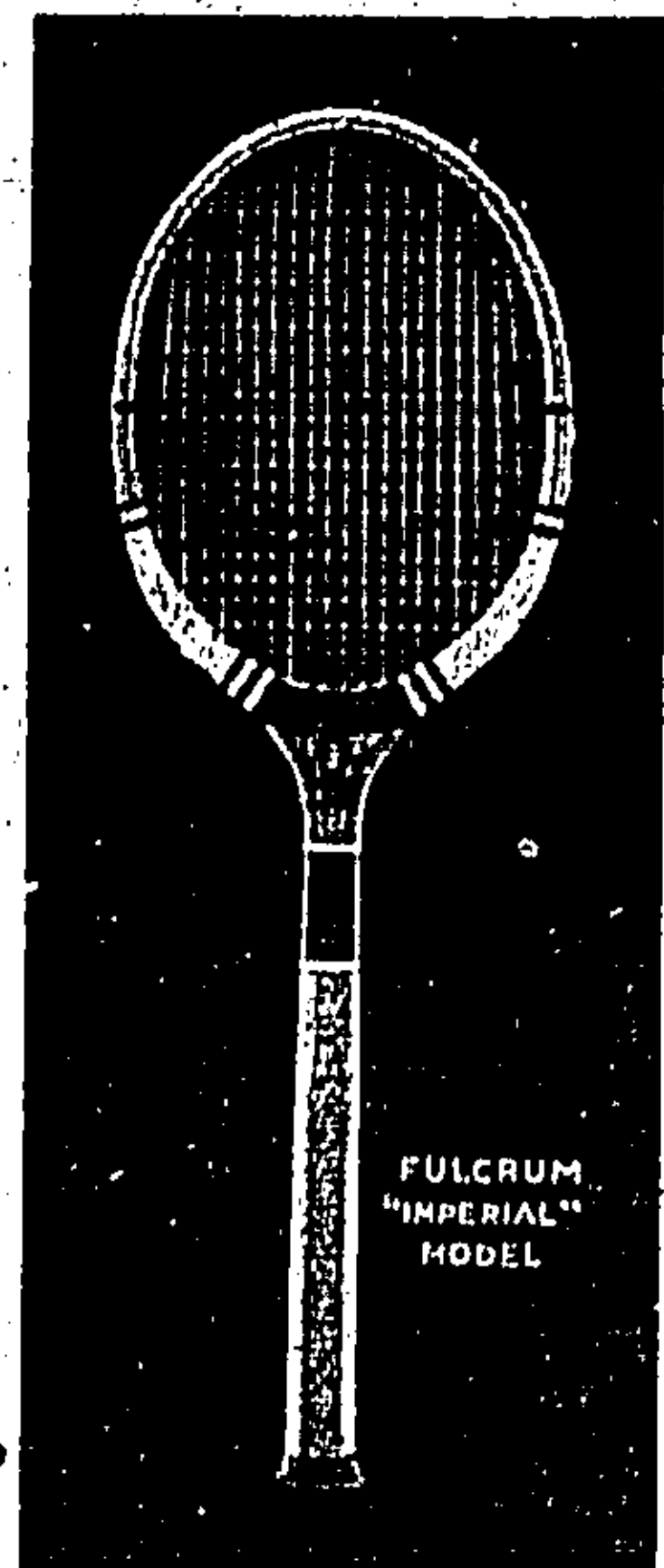
It will be observed that these 18 ponies all drew from the coffer of the Hongkong Jockey Club the sum of \$34,070 and Able Amazon heads the list. Cold Morning was the best griffin of the year but she gave a very disappointing performance in the Champions run last week when she finished (Continued on Page 9.)

Records Of The Jockeys

MR. LEO FROST OUTSTRIPS REST OF HIS CONTEMPORARIES

A complete statistic of Jockeys including Macao races is enumerated hereunder.

	Win	2nd	3rd	Unp.
D. Black	19	17	12	69
A. A. R. Botelho	1	1	1	21
A. H. A. de Botelho	1	1	1	21
P. P. Botelho	6	8	12	69
E. O. Butler	7	13	8	67
E. J. de Carneiro	1	1	1	19
H. P. de Castro	1	1	1	1
H. H. Charles	2	3	3	18
G. H. Chene	1	1	1	1
Chiu Cheung-fan	1	1	1	1
Choy Wing Chiu	1	1	1	1
W. H. Choy	1	5	4	84
A. D. Coplin	1	10	14	69
W. H. S. Davis	17	22	18	62
N. Davis	17	22	18	62
C. Encarnao	4	4	1	18
G. P. Ferguson	1	1	1	1
L. G. Frost	50	25	21	69
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Club-East Lancs Game To Be Shield Replay

F. A. DECISION LAST NIGHT

League Match To Be Re-Arranged

(By "Veritas")

WINNERS OF STAKES

(Continued from Page 8.)

almost last but not least, Vixen Tor ran a wonderful race in the Champions last Saturday when she came in second, beating her stable companion Bag Tor and Night Star—two old timers. Vixen Tor failed to strike her form during the first half and was also a bad lady at the barrier. After the recess she won three races and a second, and was unplaced in the St. Leger. On every occasion Mr. Ralph was at the helm and the combination should be closely watched when they appear again in public. The record of a Mile is 1.45 and Lady Southern's Halcyn won the last race, the Final H'cap, last Saturday in 1.45.3/5 and the pony had 10 lbs. to spare.

Amazing Liberty Bay

UNIQUE WINNING RECORD

Under the category of Old China Pouter, the following stakes winners reveal some interesting figures:

Bistre	\$ 2,125
Boxing Eve	1,725
Bright View	1,775
Cosack's Beauty	2,325
Gladiator	3,150
Hetman	2,335
King's Bounty	2,100
King's Justice	2,875
King's Warden	3,821
Liberty Bay	7,450
Macaroni	2,575
Onk Bay	1,775
Ribble	2,850
Sadko	2,325
Soldier of Britain	2,400
The Tiger	2,350
Total	\$16,910

The total amounts to \$16,910 not including those that have won less than \$1,500. Liberty Bay started seven times and won all the seven races without any trouble. He made \$7,450 and I suppose it is ample to pay for the cost of his barley and bran, and carrots are given whenever wanted!

carrying over set up such an unprecedented demand for tickets that a separate counter had to be provided, and when the bell went for closing, many ladies were left in the cold. It will be recalled that the pool of the combination Mistake Bay/Festival was amounted to a colossal sum of \$20,035.20 and the total number of chances sold was 3,037 of which there were 2,110 tickets on Mistake Bay.

The Hongkong Football Club's suggestion that tomorrow's match against the East Lancashires be used both as a league encounter and the Senior Shield replay was turned down by the League Management Committee last night.

After deliberation the committee ordered that the game be regarded solely as a Shield replay and the league match, which it superseded, must be re-arranged at a later date. With so many Shield replays outstanding and the Christmas and New Year holidays given over exclusively to representative games, it seems that the old question of congested fixture lists is again inevitable.

TOO MUCH FOOTBALL

More and more clear does it become that there is too much competitive football in Hongkong, and unless the Association is content with the season stretching far into May, some methods will have to be devised to keep the programme within reasonable limits. This season, in addition to an unusually big league programme the following competitions have still to be played off: Senior and Junior Shields, Lal Wash Cup, Governor's Cup, International Chart Cup, Kowloon Cup, and special representative games such as the Children's Playground Fund. Furthermore there will be time taken out later in preparation for the Interport when probably two Saturdays at least will be used for trials to the complete elimination of first division league matches. Mid-week games are out of the question for most clubs until April as the players cannot get away from business in time to get the games played before the light falls.

Nobody wants to see the elimination of the various cup competitions, especially as charities benefit from more than one; but the congested state of fixtures towards the end of March and April each year is becoming increasingly intolerable and it is a position which calls for the attention of the Association. They may very well find it necessary to split the first division into two sections. As it stands today this division is much too unwieldy and could easily be revised.

SCHOOL SOCCER

La Salle College Beat St. Joseph's

The La Salle College first and second team had two friendly football matches on Wednesday; the first had St. Joseph's College as their opponents and won by two goals to nil, while the second eleven beat King's College by 13 goals to 4.

The first team game was played at Happy Valley at the Saints' ground. At half time La Salle was leading by a goal to nil scored by Ulrich, while the same player netted another one after the breather.

The second team between King's College and La Salle College which was played at King's Park proved to be a one-sided affair. The La Salle boys simply scored as they wished, although King's College managed to net four goals. The final score was 13 goals to 4.

ANOTHER DEFEAT FOR OXFORD

RUGBY TEAM LOSES TO EDINBURGH U.

London, Dec. 19. Oxford University rugby team suffered another reverse to-day in the course of their Scottish tour. Entertained by Edinburgh University they were beaten by 14 points to nine. Earlier in the week they fell victims to Edinburgh Academicals.—*Reuter*.

FANLING GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Old Course

9.24	O. E. C. Marton, D. J. Gilmore.
9.28	W. N. A. Smalley, D. L. Prophet.
9.32	G. Marselle, W. J. Roberts.
9.35	S. H. Dodwell, A. D. Humphreys.
9.40	N. K. Littlejohn, H. N. Williamson.
9.44	A. Anderson, W. W. C. Shewan.
9.48	F. C. Mudie, G. A. Lelper.
9.52	G. A. Stewart, A. B. Purves.
9.56	L. E. Stone, D. A. O'Kieffe.
10.00	A. T. Lay, A. E. Lissaman.
10.04	D. S. Robb, I. H. Genre.
10.08	G. A. Pentreath, J. W. Alabaster.
10.12	R. A. McKenny, W. A. Stewart.
10.16	K. K. Rounds, H. H. Pethick.
10.20	W. J. S. Key, J. Forbes.
10.24	J. S. Dykes, C. W. Jeffries.
10.28	R. A. Rodgers, H. F. Sammers.
10.32	T. R. Rowell, A. B. Reynolds.
10.36	G. T. May, T. Linders.
10.40	W. E. Hunt, K. W. Jones.
10.44	R. K. Collins, R. Morrison.
10.48	D. J. Keogh, R. Young.
10.52	E. M. Bryden, R. C. Webb.
10.56	L. Goldman, C. W. E. Bishop.
11.00	L. Cdr. Barry, D. H. Blinke.
11.04	H. P. A. Kempthorne, E. T. McEwen.
11.08	Wing. Cdr. Bishop, D. W. MacEwen.
11.12	Cdr. Garside, Lieut. Fraser.

New Course

9.24	Mrs. Goldman, Mrs. Bishop.
9.32	Miss Knill, Mrs. Smalley.
9.40	B. G. D. & Mrs. Barlow.
9.48	E. Bathurst, A. K. Mackenzie.
10.12	H. U. Ireland, T. E. Chasels.

There is no train at 9.15 a.m.

F. A. CUP REPLAY

Chesterfield Lose To Walsall

London, Dec. 19. Another F.A. Cup tie was replayed to-day leaving only one second round match—Hullfax v. Hartlepool—outstanding. Walsall, playing at home to Chesterfield won by the odd goal in three. They are on their own ground to Newcastle in the third round which is being played next month.—*Reuter*.

CRICKET GAMES

H.K.F.C. Teams For Two Matches

The following will play for the H.K.F.C. first XI in a League Match v. the I.R.C. on the latter's ground starting at 2 p.m. to-morrow: A. W. Hayward (capt.), A. C. Beck, E. R. Duckitt, G. S. Dunkley, P. C. Frost, H. Owen Hughes, L. D. Kilbee, I. McInnes, T. A. Pearce, T. E. Pearce, T. M. L. Redmond.

The following will play for the 2nd XI v. the Police in a League match on the Club ground, starting at 2 p.m.: A. K. Mackenzie (capt.), H. J. Armstrong, V. C. Bond, G. E. Divett, P. A. Dunnett, I. S. Forbes, N. P. Fox, R. S. W. Paterson, W. Keith Robinson, G. A. Stewart, W. Wooding.

Captain Foster's Review of Local Racing

Owing to the exigencies of space it has been found impossible to publish the whole of Captain Foster's review of the year's racing in Hongkong in to-day's issues of the *Telegraph*. The remainder will appear to-morrow and will include records of the best dividends paid out for winners and placed ponies, course records established and a complete list of winning ponies which carried "over weight for inches." Captain Foster's review of the season is the most complete and authoritative to appear in any local newspaper and should not be missed by any race-goer.

RACING SEASON REVIEWED

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with 50 wins, 25 seconds, 21 thirds and 69 unplaced outings, and it is worthy of note that out of 105 starts, he was placed 106 times representing 68.18 per cent, which is undoubtedly a grand performance. Mr. Frost should be proud of his record and to achieve this, he had to work hard.

Mr. Alice Potts is to be complimented upon discharging his duties as the Official Starter and the release of the barrier was on the whole very satisfactory.

It can be argued that there is no legislation in the matter of debarring ponies from betting, but I am sure that members of the betting public will not grudge against the action of the Stewards in precluding Able Amazon and Liberty Bay from the pari-mutuel during the Extra Meetings.

RECORD MAINTAINED

Mr. Lambert Dunbar's Liberty Bay maintained his unbeaten record by winning all his seven outings of the year in easy fashion and earned for the owner a total of \$7,850. This sum plus his previous earnings of \$22,823 amounts to \$30,673 and I suppose it is not a bad guy to have Mr. Dunbar's Dianna Bay appeared in public three times this year and it was a funny coincidence that, after running a dead-heat with Mrs. Pearce's Trentbridge in the New Stables Plate at the Annual Meeting, the mare finished together with King's Warden owned by Mr. Pam Pearce in the Challenge Cup. Dianna Bay was nowhere in the Champions at the Annual Meeting and after that she was in the hospital for a considerable time. However, I understand that she is now O.K. and will be seen at the Annual Meeting of 1936.

Mrs. Pearce did not enjoy much luck this year with her Trentbridge, for after a dead-heat with Dianna Bay in the New Stables Plate, the grey gelding finished a very bad third in the Ladies Purse under Mr. Penut Marshall and was a non-combatant for the rest of the season. Trentbridge underwent a serious operation and has fully recovered. He is now doing trotting work and no doubt will be seen in action at the next big Meeting. Trentbridge was the best griffin in 1933 and earned in that year \$10,189 for the owner. The following year he won \$6,300 and the season under review brought in only \$575.

ABLE AMAZON'S SUCCESSES
Able Amazon, the Australian crack-jockey, finished the season with six wins and a second, and he was indeed very unlucky to succumb to Bag Tor in the Brisbane Handicap. He has made for the owner \$5,200 and this plus his past year's earnings of \$7,442 amounts to in all \$12,642. This pony only cost the owner a few hundred dollars.

Chief feature of the racing season was the carrying over of two substantial pools of \$3,060 and \$3,656.40 respectively in the Daily Double Event which the punters failed in their selection for not backing the winner of the second leg. The second



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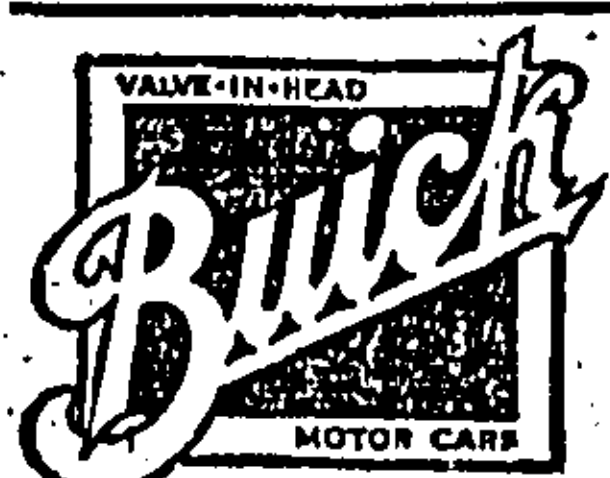
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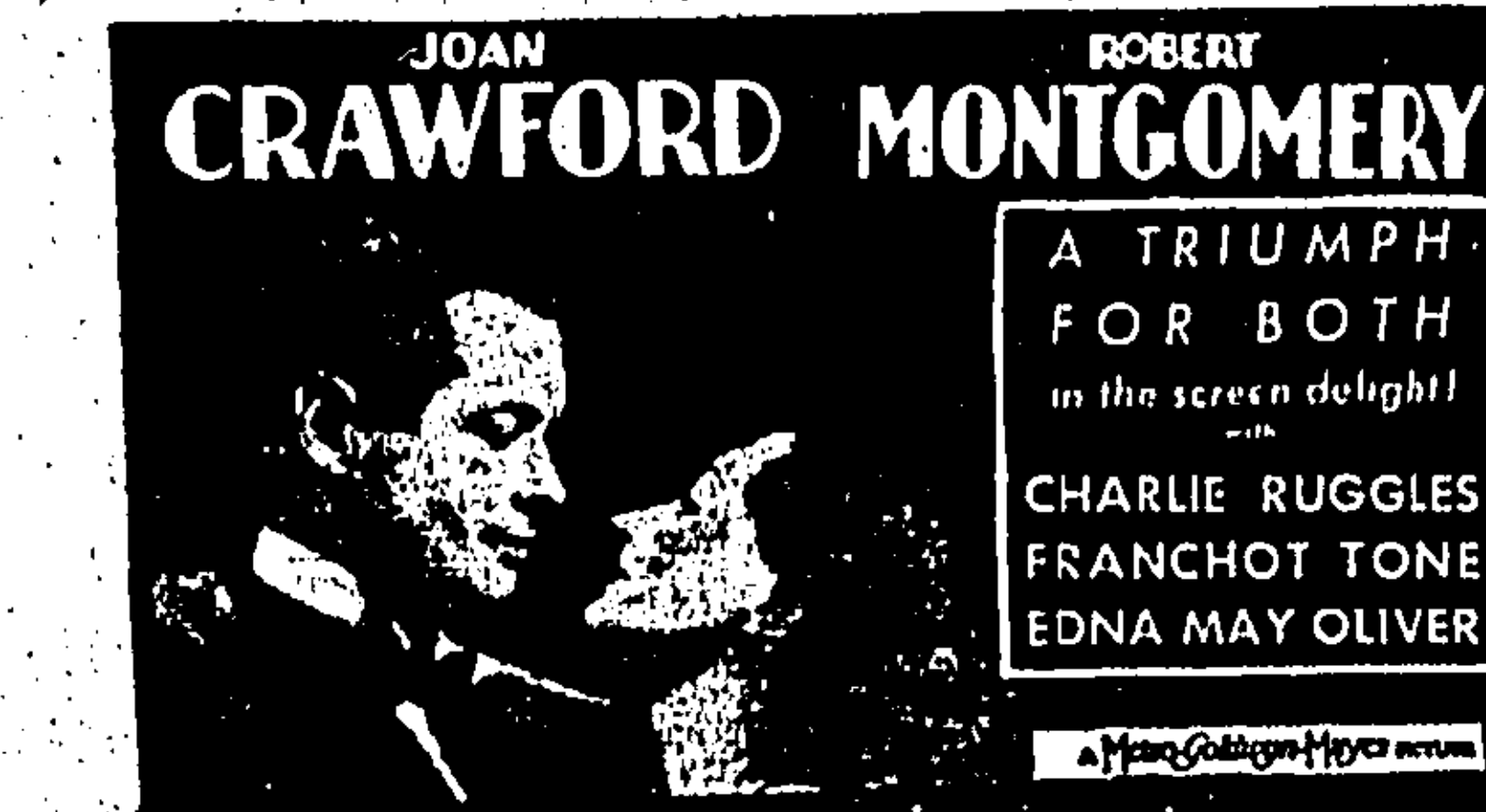


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CAUTIOUS AMERICAN POLICY

FEDERAL RESERVE BANKERS MEET

CONTROL OF CREDIT

(Special to "Telegraph")

Washington, Dec. 19. The Federal Reserve Bank governors, concluding their conference today, announced that any action dealing with excess reserves will be deferred "until it appears in the public interest to make a statement."

"First, continued improvements in business must be made, and in financial conditions also. For the country is still short of recovery. Secondly, there is no evidence of over-expansion of business or of the use of business credit. Thirdly, the primary objective of the federal reserve system is still to make efforts for the furtherance of recovery."

"Fourthly, the present volume of the member banks' reserves continues excessive, and therefore the problem will be studied and watched very closely, with a view to appropriate action being taken as soon as it appears in the public interest."

Meanwhile, observers see indications of new regulations for the control of collateral credit by the banks, with the possibility of a change in the margin formula, in view of the increase of margin requirements. In other words, credit restrictions may be applied to securities trading, but not to commerce and industry.

Don't Like New Deal

Washington, Dec. 19. The Literary Digest's poll shows that 57.69 per cent. of the people reached oppose the New Deal.

Analysed on the basis of electoral college strength, the voting indicates that 265 of the 531 electoral college votes are opposed to the New Deal.

RECENT MOTOR MISHAP

COMPENSATION PAID BY DRIVER

A sequel to an accident on the evening of December 5 last, when two ladies were knocked down on the footpath of Shell House, was the appearance of Chan Mo-ung, driver of private car No. 2371, before Mr. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a summons of driving without due care and caution.

Appearing on behalf of defendant, Mr. S. Ng Quinn stated that on the night of December 5, defendant was driving from west to east, and when near the China Building, a small boy dashed across the road from left to right. Defendant swerved to the right in order to avoid hitting the boy, and then saw a bus approaching from the opposite direction. He lost his head a little, and swerved still further to the right, thus mounting the pavement outside Shell House and knocking down two Chinese ladies.

The ladies, slightly injured and were sent to the Government Civil Hospital, after which defendant reported the accident to the police.

Mr. Ng Quinn added that defendant had compensated the ladies to the extent of \$50, and produced a letter from them saying they were satisfied with the payment made. Counsel asked for a nominal fine to be imposed in the circumstances.

Tr. the Inspector Alexander stated defendant had been perfectly frank about the whole affair, and agreed that a nominal fine would meet the case.

Defendant was fined \$10.

A fine of \$3 was imposed on Ellery Dennison, driver of private car No. 2290, when he was summoned before Mr. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning, for having a red rear light on his car at 10.15 on the night of December 5 last.

GAS PISTOL POSSESSION DANGEROUS WEAPON CONFISCATED

The possession of a weapon resembling a pencil, designed to discharge cartridges containing gas, was admitted by Lam Yau, aged 19, washerman of the Kwong Fat Laundry, Wanchai, when he appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Defendant pleaded that about two months ago he took the pen from clothing which had been sent to wash by a seaman of an American gunboat. He did not know the contents of the pen.

Detective Inspector C. R. Rozesky stated the police had no reason to disbelieve the accused's story of how he came into possession of the weapon.

Defendant was searched on the water-front on the evening of December 18 and it was found in a box. Defendant had been granted one month's leave by his master to go to the country to get married. He had been in Hongkong for about two years and as far as the police knew he had a good character.

The Magistrate decided to bind the defendant over in a bond of \$500, to come up for judgment in one year.

The weapon, which the Magistrate described as being very dangerous, was confiscated.

CYCLING ROUND WORLD

YOUNG PARSEE IN HONGKONG

World touring is always an attractive means of passing one's life, but Manek K. Vajidhar, B.A., 21-years-old graduate of the Bombay University, has chosen the novel method of cycling round the globe.

Vajidhar is a good-looking Parsee who found that a University life did not give him all the information he wanted about people, things and countries. So on May 20 last year he packed the necessities of life into a bag, along them over his bicycle and started off through India. He covered 3,000 miles learning more about his own country first and arrived at Colombo after months of travel.

He set sail from Colombo for Australia on November 10, and was in time to join the Boy Scout Jamboree. Vajidhar is a very keen Scout, attached to the 51st Bombay Rover Scout Group, and one of his chief objects in travelling is to make contact with brother Scouts and gain more knowledge of their movement.

In Melbourne he was in his element and made friends who came from many countries. Soon after he landed in Hongkong he ran into one of these and is now looking up others.

Vajidhar fell ill after the Jamboree with a severe cold, but after a few months he was well again and went through Canberra, Sydney, Brisbane and far into Queensland.

Although this earnest young Parsee has some private means, he is partly earning his way by giving race talks and lectures on his experiences, and so far in two countries alone has given over a score of these.

Of the Australians he spoke warmly: "I never thought they would be so cordial. They were extraordinarily kind and though I don't think Australians are what you would call 'workmen' they gave me every facility and help in this respect."

Now Vajidhar is in Hongkong ready to study the Far Eastern ways of living. He intends to go right up the coast and into Japan before turning his active mind to other nationalities. He hopes to give talks over the radio and by lecture in the Colony and will stay here for some time assimilating more of what he seeks—new aspects of life.

FANCY DRESS DANCE

ST. ANDREW'S CLUB EVENT

The St. Andrew's Club Christmas carnival dance held in the Church Hall last night was a great success. There were many striking fancy dress costumes and the judges had a difficult task to adjudge the winners. The Rev. J. R. Higgs, President of the Club, and Mrs. Higgs, were among those present.

In the course of the evening five talented pupils of Miss Violet Capill delighted with a "dice" dance and were encored. The Troubadours Dance Band was in attendance and dancing was continued to 1 a.m.

The fancy dress prize winners were as follows: Ladies: Miss Sylvia Remedios (Japanese girl) and Miss P. Gittins (Mad Hatter); Gentlemen: Mr. Morley (Rajah) and Mr. Kirby (Chinese steam launch seaman). Mr. E. P. Richter was a very able M.C. Light refreshments were also served. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion.

CHILDREN'S PARTY

The fancy dress party at the Repulse Bay Hotel yesterday, held in aid of the Shamshulpo Matchless Church Fund, was an unqualified success. The dresses of the children were lovely. Lady Southern, Mrs. F. S. Thackeray and Mrs. de St. Croix certainly had a most difficult task in picking winners in such a field of outstanding merit. There was only one fault to be found and that was that prizes could not be provided all. The Slide was a great attraction and the Gunners in charge certainly worked very hard. Santa Claus and his sons were a roaring success.

The thanks of the Committee are extended to the many ladies who so ably helped to make the Repulse Bay affair one to be remembered with pleasure by all who were present.

BLIND-SENATOR HURT

Washington, Dec. 20. The blind Senator Schall of Minnesota, one of President Roosevelt's most outspoken critics, was seriously injured today when stepping out of an automobile into the roadway he was knocked down by another automobile. His leg was fractured and internal injuries are feared.

DRIZZLE OR MIST

The anticyclone appears to have regained intensity over Mongolia, where pressure is now high. The typhoon is situated about 300 miles north of Yap, moving N. W. Local forecast: N. E. winds, fresh; cloudy with drizzle or mist.

Six weeks' hard labour was imposed upon Yuen Fo, 27, unemployed, when he appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with being found on the first floor of No. 71 Portland Street yesterday for an unlawful purpose. Inspector Shannon stated that about 1 p.m. yesterday complainant, Lo Kai, 48, building contractor, heard somebody walking about on the floor, and together with a foki he went up, and when he knocked on the door, defendant rushed out and ran down the stairs, but he was chased and caught.

DEFENDING AMERICAN NEUTRALITY

MUST AVOID RISK OF SANCTIONS

PRESIDENT'S DISCRETION

Washington, Dec. 19. New neutrality legislation was imperative, and should be discretionary rather than mandatory, declared Mr. McReynolds, Chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, speaking to the Press today.

Mr. McReynolds expressed the opinion that the United States ought not to participate in the League sanction programme, "at least as part of the League."

With regard to whether "oil and cotton should be labelled implements of war, that should be at the President's discretion."

Meanwhile, the United States High Commissioner in the Philippines, Mr. Frank Murphy, has called to the State Department asking the United States Government's attitude towards the shipment of chrome ore from the Philippines to Italy. The question has been raised by a company having received a large order from Italy.

POLICE SOCCER PRESENTATIONS

TO MR. AND MRS. D. BURLINGHAM

A large gathering of Police footballers was present at a cocktail party held in the Library, Police Headquarters, yesterday when a farewell presentation in the form of a silver tray and two chromium plated thermos flasks was made to Mr. D. Burlingham and Mrs. Burlingham who are leaving the Colony on December 28.

The presentation was made by Mr. A. R. S. Major, A.S.P., who also presented Mr. Burlingham with a mounted photograph of the European Police soccer team.

The Captain of the Chinese Police team presented a mounted photograph of his team.

Medals won by the Police team in the League and Shield last season were then presented by Mrs. Burlingham to the players.

Mr. Burlingham presented a beautiful silver cup for the individual player of the Police football team who scores the most goals during a season, the trophy to take effect as from the 1934-35 season. The winner was J. Johnson, the Police centre-forward.

In the course of the evening speeches in an autographic vein were made by Mr. Major, Mr. J. Shepherd (Secretary), Mr. C. Pilo (captain of the Police team last year) and Mr. C. Gough (this season's captain). The last-named presented Mr. Burlingham with a bouquet of flowers.

The late Mr. Edulji Kustumji Mogra, formerly of 38 Wyndham Street, who died in Paris on August 20 this year, left local estate to the value of \$20,000. Probate of the will has been granted to Mr. Framroz Pirojsha Vasania, of Shameen.

Sin Kan, alias Hoi Fat, seaman, and Fung Kwai, cook, were brought before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and sentenced to one month's hard labour each, for stealing a block of wood belonging to W.S. Bailey and Company. Sub-inspector Whan stated that both the defendants were employed on a stevedore launch belonging to the Green Island Cement Company, which was being repaired at Bailey's shipyard. The defendants were seen hauling the block on to the launch by an Indian watchman. Fung pleaded that he wanted the block for firewood. The block was valued at \$5.

Admitting a charge of obtaining \$1.10 from Lam Yu by false pretences on September 23 this year, a 70-year-old man named Yeung Chung, was bound over when he appeared before Mr. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning. Detective Sergeant Flitch stated that on September 23, defendant went to complainant and purported to have been sent by an Indian firm in China Building to order some boxes, as complainant was a box-maker. They subsequently went to a tea-house where defendant obtained \$1.10 from complainant as commission. Complainant later went to look for the Indian firm, but found it did not exist. On Thursday, he met defendant in the street, and failing to get his money returned, took him to the police station.

A gambling raid conducted by Detective Sergeant F. W. Fowle and a party of 12 detectives on the second floor of 12, Ke Shing Street, resulted in the arrest of 18 Chinese. Two of the number, Chu Shing, 52, medicine dealer, and Kwan Sze, 23, unemployed, were charged before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning and pleaded guilty to being the keepers. They were fined \$30 each. Only two of the gamblers appeared and were fined \$2 each. The absentees forfeited bail of \$3 each. Table money, totalling \$7.50, was added to the Poor Box funds. Sergeant Fowle stated it was a fairly big school. The game played was sam kung.

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